MOUTRIE
PIANOS
BEST VALUE
IN
HONGKONG

The China Mail

Temperature 67 Barometer 29.92
Rainfall 0.00 in. Humidity 64

ESTABLISHED 1845

THE DOLLAR.
To-day's closing rate 2/3 13/16.
To-day's opening rate 2/3 13/16.

ALWAYS GET THE BEST!
CONCENTRATED
Jeyes' Fluid
TRADE MARK
Sole Agents:
ALEX. ROSS & CO. (CHINA) LTD.

No. 19,065. 五拜禮 號一廿月二十年三十二百九千一英 HONGKONG, FRIDAY DECEMBER 21, 1923. 日四十月一十年九十二國民華中 PRICE $3.00 Per Month.

THE
VICTROLA
GIVES
MOST PLEASURE
TO
MOST PEOPLE
GET YOUR VICTROLA
THIS CHRISTMAS
S. MOUTRIE & CO., LTD.
EXCLUSIVE AGENTS.

SENNET FRERES
THE
COLONY'S BEST KNOWN
JEWELLERS
AND
DIAMOND MERCHANTS
HAVE OPENED THEIR
NEW SHOP
IN
PEDDER STREET
(OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL)

THEIR SALE of Cut Glass and Silver Ware continues in their old premises (Queen's Road Central) until the end of this month.

Tel. Central 2313 P. O. Box 530
HAWTHORNE & PEARSON
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Tailors
— and —
Breeches Makers

St. George's Building, Ice House Street.
(Next door Café Wiseman.)

PIANOS for SALE or Hire
TSANG FOOK PIANO CO.,
Tel. 2127. 94A. Wanchai Road.

ECONOMY IN COAL.
Fushun Lump Coal stands for economy in Coal value. All lump Coals have a large percentage of dust which are PRACTICALLY WASTE. The dust in FUSHUN Lump burns into Lumps as soon as they are cast into bottom. Fushun lump coal burns greatly and is therefore a decided ECONOMY.
HING IP & CO.
Coal Merchants & Contractors 57, Queen's Road Centre. Tel. Central 1781. Cable address "Hindran"
Sole Agents for Fushun Coal.
We stock in our godowns 12 grades of genuine Fushun Coal.

HIGH class WATCHES
LOWEST PRICES
J. ULLMANN & CO.
HONGKONG.

AFGHAN TROUBLE.

BRITISH STILL WAITING.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, December 20.

In connection with the serious situation on the Afghan border owing to the failure of the Afghan Government so far to hand over the murderers of British officers, official quarters in London are more hopeful. They are at present awaiting the result of the Afghans' efforts to arrest the criminals. It is hoped the Afghans will fulfil their promises thereanent; otherwise it will be necessary to decide what further pressure is needed. There is no question of any aggressive British action although the means available will be employed if the moderate and just British demands are not complied with. The allegation of Chicherin that Britain threatened war against Afghanistan and demanded a rupture of Russo-Afghan relations is absolutely untrue.

RUSSIA DISTURBED.

RIGA, December 20.

Mr. Chicherin, interviewed said, that British and Eastern interests had been colliding with Russia's for several decades. Britain had been endeavouring to obtain absolute hegemony in Central Asia and the British demand from Afghanistan created the greatest uneasiness in Moscow diplomatic circles, as Afghanistan was regarded as the last buffer state between Britain and the Soviet Republics.

B. A. T. PROFITS.

24% DIVIDEND FOR YEAR.

LONDON, December 20.

The British-American Tobacco Company reports a net profit of £4,495,000. It has declared a final Dividend of nine per cent making twenty four per cent, as last year, and is carrying forward £3,531,000.

WORLD WIRELESS.

BIG BELGIAN STATION.

BRUSSELS, December 20.

The King laid the foundation stone of a wireless station at Ruysselede, near Bruges, which is expected to be sufficiently powerful to communicate with all the big stations of the world.

MEXICAN MELEE.

BOTH SIDES "WINNING."

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

GALVESTON, December 20.

Rebel despatches from Vera Cruz claim that the Federals were defeated after 8 hours' fighting between Puebla and Tetzmeloccan. The Rebels captured three machine guns, and 300 prisoners. Hard fighting is progressing at Apitzaco, an important railway position. At Mexico city, General Obregon told the foreign journalists that the enemy refused to give battle either at Vera Cruz or at Jalisco, but continually retreated, tearing up tracks to prevent pursuit, leaving prisoners and munitions behind. He, however, expected a battle on the west coast of the state of Jalisco shortly. Contrariwise, the rebel leader, Adolfo Huerta has wirelessly broadcasted a statement declaring the revolutionaries control the states of Vera Cruz, Oaxaca, Puebla, Colima, Jalisco, Zacatecas, Michoacan, Nayarit, Aguascalientes, and Guerrero, adding that the rebels possess 40,000 armed troops who are fighting spiritedly without pay.—*Reuter's American Service.*

REPARATIONS COMMITTEES.

BRITISH MEMBERS ANNOUNCED.

PARIS, December 20.

The British members of the reparations committee on the German budget will be Mr. Montagu Norman and Sir Josiah Stamp while Mr. Reginald McKenna will serve on the committee to enquire into the question of German capital abroad.

RESTORING HUNGARY.

NEW L. O. N. SCHEME.

PARIS, December 20.

It is hoped that Hungary will be restored after the example of Austria as a result of an agreement reached by the Council of the League of Nations regarding an international financial scheme with that object.

Gifts that will always please.

Decked with all the latest novelties in Gifts for Men, Mackintosh's shop presents a spectacle of surpassing interest to Xmas shoppers. A courteous welcome awaits you.
MACKINTOSH
& CO., LTD.
Men's Wear Specialists.
Alexandra Building. Des Voeux Road.
This week our store will remain open until 6 p.m.

WANTED
Somebody to tell us
what is better
than a

Pathé-Baby
for
CHRISTMAS
On Sale:
PATHE-ORIENT
12, Queen's Road, Central.
A TACK
26, Des Voeux Road.

Have you noticed how the cockroaches are increasing again
That is because you are not using
FLETCHER'S BEETLE VIRUS.
You can keep your house clear of these pests, if you apply the virus occasionally. And remember the Sole Distributors are
Tel. C. 345. FLETCHER & CO., LTD. Tel. C. 345
THE PHARMACY.

ORDER FROM YOUR
BOOKSELLER
THE CHINA YEAR BOOK
1923
EDITED BY H. G. W. WOODHEAD, C.B.E.
PRICE - - $12.50
AN ENCYCLOPÆDIA OF INFORMATION REGARDING CHINA.

SPECIALITY
J. HARVEY'S BRISTOL { MILK & CREAM
(old gold and Pale Sherry)
CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co., Ltd.
15, Queen' Road Central. Telephone 75.

RUGGER RAGGINGS.

(BY "SCRIMMAGE.")

To-morrow the long looked for Cup-Tie against the Navy will be played. This in my opinion is a more important match than the Interport. The Club this season appear to have a much better chance than in the seasons immediately previous, of wresting the Cup from the Navy and a lot depends on to-morrow's game as the fact of winning or losing will undoubtedly effect the morale of the side. Should the Club beat the Navy I shall have no doubt that they will safely account for Shanghai on January 2. In the two friendly matches between Navy and Club played, with neither side at full strength, honours have been even in that the Club won the first match by 6 points to 3 whilst the Navy came out winners in the second by 3 points to nil. It is safe to predict that spectators to-morrow will be treated to a fast even game. It should be a great match.

The final selections are not yet to hand. It is to be hoped that they arrive before it is necessary to go to press.

Thinking over the last two matches the outstanding point calling for comment is the talking of the forwards. I refer mainly to the Club. There can only be one leader if the pack is to work together and with more than one giving instructions chaos is bound to result. Perhaps a fault lies with the selected leader in not giving enough instructions and not giving them loud enough. This is just a suggestion of course, I am not saying it is so.

Day was playing a good boisterous game in the loose in his last match but I would like to see him packing front row a little oftener. Adams has been playing very hard and appears to be very fit—quite an amazing turn of speed at times. Jones must have been practising dribbling since I mentioned his lack of dexterity in that connection. He got away with the ball at his feet once in great style against he Navy.

The Navy forwards were invariably first down I noticed on Tuesday. The Club's packing still leaves room for improvement although they were getting the ball oftener.

Prouse played a good game at full back for the Club but I still think that King is the best man for this position. I advise Prouse to keep to this position however—he fields and kicks exceedingly well Bowker on each occasion he has been out has been the star turn amongst the backs of either side—a brilliant player. Skinner was again to the fore in the Navy game. The Navy threes whilst handling quite well seem a little shy of their opponent. The scrum half is the best man they have amongst their backs on recent showing.

It is gratifying to see the interest that is being taken this year by former players who have now retired from the game and it is to be hoped that this interest will not wane after the Interport match. Rugger in this Colony appears to have got over its lean time, as witness the competition for places this year, but it needs the backing of the older men to keep the fires of enthusiasm stoked.

BAD CHARACTERS.

MORRISON HILL ROAD INCIDENT.

Alertness on the part of a Chinese constable at Morrison Hill Road resulted in two Chinese bad characters being sentenced by Mr. N. L. Smith, to three months' hard labour each, for possession of instruments fit for unlawful purposes.

According to Divisional Inspector Aris, who conducted the case, defendants were noticed loitering late at night, outside No. 25, Morrison Hill Road, when the constable approached them. One of them ran away but was arrested by Mr. E. Moosdeen who happened to be passing. When searched they were found to have a toy pistol which almost exactly resembled the genuine article and several coils of wire.

FUN AND FROLIC.

M.C.L. FANCY DRESS BALL.

Due largely to the hard work put in by Mrs. Grace and her daughter, Miss Primrose Grace, in organising the function, the fancy dress ball held in the City Hall last night by the Naval and Dockyard branch of the Ministering Children's League was the great success it deserved to be.

His Excellency the Governor and Admiral Leveson were not able to be present but Lady Stubbs was there in fancy dress with a party from Government House who had followed her example. There must have been quite 500 people present and when it is mentioned that the majority by far were in fancy dress, it can be imagined that the scene last night was a very gay and animated one indeed. Those who "dodged the column" and went in ordinary evening dress had to pay a dollar fine for the offence.

An illuminated model of H.M.S. "Tamar" was a conspicuous feature of the tasteful decorative scheme for which Lieut. Jackson and Lieut. Commander Beresford were mainly responsible. An ingenious arrangement of coloured lighting effects added to the general brilliance of the setting.

The Brunswick Studio orchestra was responsible for the music, the dance programme being as follows:—

1—Fox Trot .....Bebe
2—One Step...Leave me with a smile
3—Fox Trot...You've got to see Mamma every night
4—Fox Trot.....Tell me a Story
5—Waltz...Nelly Kelly I love you
6—Fox Trot...My Sweetie went away
7—Fox Trot.....Marcheta
8—Waltz.....China Moon
9—One Step.....Dancing Fool
10—Fox Trot.....Who's sorry now
11—Fox Trot.....Long lost Mamma
12—Waltz.....Why should I cry over you
13—Fox Trot.....Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Shean
14—Fox Trot.....Yes! We have no bananas
15—One Step.....First—Last and Always
16—Waltz.....Three o'clock in the morning
Extra—Waltz.....Mellow Moon

Light refreshments were provided, the function coming to an end in the early hours of this morning.

DONNELLY & WHYTE.
WINE MERCHANTS.
Tel Cen. 638. Tel. Cen. 638.

MEE WAH KNITTING & DYEING CO.
General Knitter & Dyer.
Manufacturers of Woollen Singlets, Jerseys, Sweaters & all kinds of Underwear.
No. 2—18, Causeway Bay. Telephone Central 1801.
Manager:—YEUNG POKWAN.

We are manufacturers of Felt Hats, Straw Hats, Linen Hats, Topees, etc.

Manufactured in HONGKONG by the
NAM YUEN HAT FACTORY
26—28, Queen's Road

THE YUEN WO STORE.
Harbour Repairers.
Engineering & Building Contractors, General Repairers & Shipchandlers.
Office No. 26, Tung Man Street, 'Phone Central 2660.
Workshops, Causeway Bay, Kowloon. 'Phone Kowloon 731.
Prop. [illegible] Manager [illegible]

LAMMERT BROS.

AUCTIONEERS, APPRAISERS AND SURVEYORS.

—Public Auctions—

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Official Receiver to sell by Public Auction,

on

SATURDAY, December 22, 1923,

commencing at NOON.

at their Sales Room, Duddell Street

A Choice Lot of Liqueurs etc.,

Comprising:—

Lemon Peel Gin, Orange Curacao, Creme de Menthe, Anisette, Kummel, Muscatel, etc., etc.

And

A Selection of Dutch Cigars

(in good condition)

A Quantity of High Class Provisions

(to be sold in suitable lots)

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1923.

FARES FOR PUBLIC VEHICLES.

The fares prescribed for public vehicles are as follows:—

I.—In the Island of Hongkong, Caine Road and Lower Levels, and in Kowloon, and New Kowloon.

RICKSHAS.

Five minutes	5 cents
Ten minutes	10 ,,
Quarter hour	15 ,,
Half hour	20 ,,
One hour	30 ,,
Every Subsequent hour	30 ,,

If the jinrickshs be engaged within the City of Victoria, and be discharged outside the Western part of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., or be discharged to the East of Fay View Police Station on the Eastern side of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half fare shall be chargeable.

For 2 or 3 drivers the fare is double or treble respectively.

II.—In the Hill Districts.

Ten minutes	15 cents
Quarter hour	20 ,,
Half hour	30 ,,
One hour	40 ,,

III.—In the New Territories.

By arrangement with the proprietors through the Police.

CHAIRS.

	1.—Lower Levels. With 2 Bearers	*With 4 Bearers*
Ten minutes	10 cents	20 cents
Quarter hour	15 ,,	30 ,,
Half hour	25	40 ,,
One hour	35 ,,	60 ,,
Every subsequent hour	25 ,,	40 ,,

	II. -Hill District. With 2 Bearers	*With 4 Bearers.*
Ten minutes	15 cents	30 cents
Quarter hour	20 ,,	40 ,,
Half hour	30 ,,	60 ,,
One hour	40 ,,	80 ,,
Every subsequent hour	25	,,

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LTD.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of The Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited):—

Protection, from Kobe.
Nolte Hongkong Hotel, from Shanghai.
Yasukawa Fukui Yoko Kakeigai, from Takefu.
Fowler Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, from Shanghai.
Chosen Hongkong Hotel, from Kobe.
Satoseizo Nihonyusen, from Kobe.
K. Yamada Hotel c/o Waida Wanchai, from Kobe.
Hangmow 363 Queen's Road, from Shanghai.
Tong Hing Lung, from Nagasaki.
0679, from Ningpo.
Yeeshaingchan, from Shanghai.
Yimyip Chung Shing Street West Point, from Tientsin.
Wan Ching 231 Queen's Road, from Marseilles.
Uylinkee, from Amoy.
Three 283 Queen's Road, from Shanghai.

N. LUND,
Act. Superintendent.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1923.

EASTERN EXTENSION, AUSTRALASIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH CO.

List of unclaimed telegrams lying in E. E. Telegraph Office, Hongkong.

Deacon, from New York.
Hindmarsh, from Shanghai.

R. M. MACALPINE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1923

HONGKONG HEIGHTS.

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

	Feet
ISLAND.	
Signal Station	1774
Mt Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1305
Taikoo Sanatorium	1000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Rd. (filterbeds)	393
MAINLAND.	
Taimoshan	3124
Kowloon Peak	1971
Lion Rock	1645
Shatin Pass	1000
Customs Pass	750
Devil's Peak	734

C. E. WARREN & CO., LTD.

SANITARY ENGINEERS
MONUMENTALISTS

Offices and Godowns,
98A, Wanchai Road, Hongkong
Tel. Central No. 220

JUST RECEIVED
A New Stock Of
LOWDOWN FLUSH CLOSETS
Nickel Plated, On Brass, Bath Room Fittings—Soap Dishes, Tumbler Holders Tooth Brush Holders, Towel Rails, &c. Opal Tumblers—Towel Rails—Mirrors Glass Shelves, &c.

Brass Canopied Interior Grates Cooking Ranges—Filters, Soil Pipes, &c.

Estimates Free For All Sanitary Installations. Heating & Water Systems.

Monumentalists In Italian Marble—Hongkong Granite. To own or selected design.

A Large Assortment Of Artificial Wreaths In Stock.

FOR SALE
Fine Assortment of
XMAS AND NEW YEAR CARDS
WITH LOCAL VIEWS
and
TOYS,
at Moderate prices.

GRACA & CO.,
Dealers in Toys, Postage Stamps, Pictorial Post Cards, Garden Seeds, &c.,
No. 10, Wyndham Street,
P. O. Box No. 620. Hongkong.

SHOEMAKERS.
(Japanese Hand Made)

Every Kind of Footwear. MADE TO ORDER.

CHERRY & CO.
6, D'AGUILAR STREET,
Opposite Kaysamally & Co.
Telephone Central No. 491
Hongkong, March 20, 1914.

WHY BUY FOREIGN MADE SUITCASES.

When we sell Shanghai Manufactured Suitcases?

They are Cheaper and More Durable.

CHAO CHEUNG TRUNK CO.
(Opposite Yaumati Ferry, Praya)

ASAHI BEER

SOLE AGENTS:
MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA

The "Three Castles" Cigarettes

MAGNUM and REGULAR SIZES.

This advertisement is issued by British-American Tobacco Co. (China), Ltd.

ODDS AND ENDS.

MAINLY SCISSORS LOOT.

Motor Track.

With the opening at Sitges, not far from Barcelona, of the National Autodrome, Spain becomes the fourth country in Europe to possess a fine motor-racing track. It is one and a quarter miles long and from nineteen and a half to twenty-four yards wide, and was built at a cost of about $1,000,000. A number of British cars were among those competing during the week of international events recently and there is no reason why this track should not constitute one more bond of friendship between the various European countries.

Work.

It is quite an ambitious scheme of extensions and improvements which has been announced by the underground railways of London as their programme for the next two years. Moreover, it must not be forgotten that it will be giving work for that period to between 25,000 and 30,000 men. It is expected that, when the reconstruction is completed in the crowded centres, it will be possible for a passenger to enter the station, purchase a ticket and reach the platform in not much more than a minute. So far as it goes, that is very satisfactory. But experience leads one to hope that means will also be introduced to help the people during the rush hours, to get from the platforms on to the trains as rapidly.

A Bridge.

Lovers of the beautiful in England will not regard as unwelcome news the report that the ugly, iron bridge at Hampton Court has been condemned as unsafe, and they will, doubtless, do their best to insure the construction of a more fitting approach to the most historic and elegant example of Tudor domestic architecture now standing. It may be recalled that in 1909 the graceful original bridge over the moat at the main entrance to the palace—a fine, battlemented structure—was rediscovered and restored, and it has been proposed that the lines and details of the new bridge shall be based upon this charming work of Henry VIII. Unless some even more appropriate suggestion is forthcoming, this is decidedly one well worth considering.

Tree.

Beerbohm Tree delighted everybody who knew him. He had the driest, sweet humour and incomparable methods of escaping bores and awkward situations. Many letters were left unanswered because, so he said, they answered themselves—in time. I accompanied a dramatic critic to a first night of his, and my companion insisted—rather indiscreetly, I thought—on going round to see Tree afterwards. The dramatic critic pressed upon me the claims of a young actress, judging her talent so persistently that I could see Tree was growing restive. "You must engage her—you *must*," he concluded. Tree seized the telephone. "Is that you, Dana? Yes. Go to the Levity Theatre to-morrow and engage Miss Z. You hear me? Good!" The dramatic critic thanked Tree and took his leave. Tree made a sign to me to remain. When we were alone he whispered: "There was nobody at the other end of the 'phone."—*From "Relish-Travellers," by H. A. Vachell.*

A Lost Illusion.

"Mr. G. J. Symons, ex-President of the Meteorological Society, declares that there are no such things as thunderbolts."

For many years I've nursed a wish
romantic
That just inside my kitchen
garden wall
A thunderbolt, with diamonds
thickly sprinkled,
Would one day fall.

Or should it be the sort that's not
encrusted
With precious stones, I fondly
hoped instead
'Twould drop upon our local tax
collector
And break his head.

But all my dreams have now been
rudely shattered
By Mr. G. J. Symons, who
declares
That those celestial bombs I've
long believed in
Are nests of mares.

'Tis hard to shed such exquisite
illusions,
'Tis difficult to bear such nasty
jolts,
I cannot learn to murmur, "*Oui,
nous avons Pas thunderbolts!*"

VICTOR BRIDGES.

An Examination Paper.

It is suggested that the best way to prevent a boy reading "penny bloods" would be to make the study of them compulsory at school. Once this idea is adopted we may expect the literature examination paper to run somewhat as follows:—

1. State what you know of (a) Dick the Dago, (b) Red-fingered Rufus, and (c) The Terror of the Pampas. Which would you least sooner meet at the cross roads on a dark night and why?

2. "With a roar cry the Avenger of Blood leaped at his throat." Sketch the incidents which led up to the performance of this athletic feat. Is anything said in the book of the Avenger's indulgence in any other sport but throat-leaping, or was he a specialist?

3. Illustrate (with quotations) the expressions:—

"The desk was like a shambles."

"Intrepid lad."

"The copper ran with blood."

Specially describe the circumstances in which the last phenomenon occurred for the tenth time in "The Scourge of the Seven Seas."

4. Which title was in your opinion the best deserved?

(a) Black Bertram.
(b) Sixteen-finger Silas.
(c) Walter the Wolf-hearted.

Give reasons.

5. Distinguish carefully between (a) A slit weasand and a thick ear, and (b) A wing bow and a hempen necktie.

6. Where, in "The Outlaw's Doom" were (a) Kruger's Creek, (b) Devil's Gulch, and (c) The police?

Goodwin Sands.

Those who have in the past sometimes wondered why steps were not taken to reclaim the Goodwin quicksands, off the south-east coast of England, will be interested in a recent proposal to this effect in connection with some expected developments near Dover. It may be recalled that many years ago it was suggested that the Swansea copper smelters should run out their slag into the sea as far as the Green Grounds and it is maintained that had this been done, a large area of valuable land would now be available. In this latest proposal it is held that another opportunity is provided to accomplish this same result.

The Home Interesting.

A Daily paper declares that the home that has had loving care expended in the making of various things for it is always more interesting than one in which only money is expended in the furnishing.

No lavishment of lucre
Performed in lordly style
Procured complete each handsome
suite
That decks our domicile;
The chiffonier and sideboard,
Each table and each chair
Are simply due entirely to
My won, my loving care.

With chisel, plane and gluepot,
With hammer and with nail,
Both morn and late I imitate
The style in Chippendale;
And every new construction
Has power to please me much;
Although as yet I cannot get
The master's perfect touch.

And even Maud confesses
My zeal that scorns to slack
Has lent our nest an interest
It otherwise might lack;
She finds it wildly thrilling
To know the cots may
Distintegrate beneath her weight
On almost any day.

THETA.

An Antiseptic Liniment

There is no danger whatever from lock-jaw or blood poison resulting from a wound when Chamberlain's Pain-balm is promptly applied. It is antiseptic and healing, and drives from the wounds to heal from the bottom with a minimum of pain. Many cases of lock-jaw have been caused by the wound treatment. For sale everywhere.

HOTELS & CAFES.

LEADING FAR EASTERN HOTELS.

HONGKONG.
Telegraphic Address:—KREMLIN, HONGKONG.
HONGKONG HOTEL. PEAK HOTEL.
REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

SHANGHAI.
Telegraphic Address:—CENTRAL, SHANGHAI.
ASTOR HOUSE HOTEL. PALACE HOTEL.
GRAND HOTEL KALEE.

PEKING.
Telegraphic Address:—WAGONLITS, PEKING.
GRAND HOTEL DES WAGONS LITS.

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.
in conjunction with.
The Grand Hotel des Wagons Lits. Ltd.

Tel. Centl. 812. **CARLTON HOTEL.** Tel. Add: "Carlton."
The Only American Hotel in the Colony.
Nice and quiet yet only a few minutes' walk from the Banks, and Central Districts. 43 Bedrooms. Excellent Cuisine. Scrupulously clean. Under American Management. A new Dining Room has been opened at No. 2, Queen's Road (1st floor). Entrance Ice House St. Tiffins a speciality. For terms apply to Mrs. F. E. CAMERON, Proprietress.

Tel. Kowloon No. 3 **PALACE HOTEL** Tel. Address "Palace"
(Three minutes from Kowloon Ferry Wharf & Railway Station.)
Entirely under English Management. Electric Light and Fans Throughout.
Every Room with Private Bath.
Lounge Bar & Billiard Rooms. Unrivalled Cuisine under the personal supervision of the Proprietor.
Terms moderate. Special terms to families on application to
J. H. O'REILLY, Proprietor.

HOTEL "ASIA"

WEST BUND, CANTON.

Leading Hotel in South China.

First class Accommodation. Electric Lights, Fans & Elevators. Roof Garden. Hairdressing Saloon.

Splendid Views of City and Pearl River.

Excellent Cuisine. Moderate Rates.

Under the Management of the
SUN CO., LTD., CANTON.

ASTOR HOUSE HOTEL.

Telegraphic address "ASTOR" Telephone Central No.
13, Queen's Road Central.

A first class Hotel centrally located, large and airy rooms, completely renovated and refurnished. New Dining Room for Meals and a la Carte. Excellent Cuisine. Sumptuous Meals for Tiffins and Dinners. Under entirely new Management.

For further particulars apply to
M. A. VAZ, Manager.

KING EDWARD HOTEL
CENTRAL LOCATION
A Home from Home. TERMS Free Entrance, Electric Lifts, Fans and Lighting, European Baths and Sanitary Fittings, Hot and Cold Water System throughout. Best of Food and Service.
Tel. Central 1170 Telegraphic Address: "Princess" J. WITCHELL, Manager.

A. G. WOLFF, Dentist.
Has returned to
the late SIEN TING,
14, D'Aguilar Street.
TERMS VERY MODERATE
Consultation Free.

MASSAGE

Mr. N. AKAJI & Mrs. E. AKAJI,
Graduate of Tokio Massage School,
No. 8, Queen's Road, C.
Telephone No. C. 4395.

MASSAGE.

Mrs. HONDA, Mrs. KIHARA and R. SHIMIDZU.
No. 24, Wyndham Street,
(opposite to the China Mail)

G. FALCONER & CO., (HONGKONG) LTD

WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS
DIAMOND MERCHANTS
UNION BUILDING (OPPOSITE G.

Agents for—ADMIRALTY CHARTS.
ROSS'S BINOCULARS and TELESCOPES
KELVIN'S NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS.
ENGLISH SILVERWARE, direct from Manufacturers,
High Class English Jewellery.

THE INTERNATIONAL SHIRT CO.

Head Office: 79 Wyndham Street, 2nd Floor.
(Opposite Central Police Station.) Tel. Central 4166.

—Dealers in all kinds of High-class Silk Shirts, Collars, Neckties and Pyjamas for Gentlemen—
AND ALSO
Chemises, Shirts, Wrappers, Scarfs, Veils and Night-gowns for Ladies
ALSO MADE TO ORDER.
MODERATE PRICE PROMPT DELIVERY
Manager: EMILIO LAU.

LONG HING & CO., PHOTO STUDIO,
ENGRAVING & PRINTING A SPECIALITY.

INTIMATIONS.

G. R.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 446.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicater which should be clearly marked "Tender for quarries," will be received at this Office until Noon on Monday, the 24th day of December, 1923, for the letting of the undermentioned Granite Quarries at Hongkong and the New Territories, for one year or, as an alternative, for a period of 3 years from the 1st January, 1924.

Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum as stated in the schedule hereunder opposite to each quarry, as a pledge of the *bona fides* of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if the tenderer refuses to carry out his tender and comply with the conditions hereinafter contained, should the tender be accepted.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tenders.

Forms of tender can be obtained from the Director of Public Works.

PARTICULARS OF THE QUARRIES.

Quarry Lot No.	Approximate Area in Acres.	Upset Annual Crown Rent.	Deposit with tender.
Ah Kung Ngam No. 1	2.15	$ 650.00	$ 60.00
Ah Kung Ngam No. 2	.93	280.00	50.00
Too Tee Wan No. 1	1.84	200.00	50.00
Too Tee Wan No. 2	1.84	200.00	50.00
Sai Tso Wan No. 1	17.00	3,400.00	340.00
Sai Tso Wan No. 2	14.50	2,900.00	300.00
Lyemun No. 1	1.46	200.00	50.00
Lyemun No. 2	1.60	360.00	50.00
Lyemun No. 3	1.90	440.00	50.00
Lyemun No. 4	.30		
Lyemun No. 5	3.52	700.00	70.00
Lyemun No. 6	14.70	2,940.00	300.00
Lyemun No. 7	10.39	2,080.00	200.00
Cha Kwo Liang No. 1	6.92	1,380.00	140.00
Cha Kwo Liang No. 2	9.17	1,830.00	180.00
Cha Kwo Liang No. 3	11.46	2,290.00	230.00
Cha Kwo Liang No. 4	10.30	2,060.00	200.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 1	6.89	1,380.00	140.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 2	12.94	2,590.00	260.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 3	11.15	2,230.00	220.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 4	6.67	1,130.00	110.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 5	1.87	370.00	50.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 6	3.58	716.00	70.00

G. R.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 447.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for Quarries," will be received at this Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 24th day of December, 1923, for the letting of the undermentioned Granite Quarries at Hongkong and Kowloon, for one year or, as an alternative, for a period of 3 years from the 1st January, 1924.

Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum as stated in the schedule hereunder opposite to each quarry, as a pledge of the *bona fides* of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if the tenderer refuses to carry out his tender and comply with the conditions hereinafter contained, should the tender be accepted.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tenders.

Forms of tender can be obtained from the director of Public Works.

PARTICULARS OF THE QUARRIES.

Quarry Lot No.	Approximate Area in Acres.	Upset Annual Crown Rent.	Deposit with tender.
Shaukiwan Lot. No. 1	37.00	$5,550.00	$550.00
Shaukiwan Lot. No. 2	40.38	6,060.00	600.00
Kowloon No. 1	11.10	4,440.00	450.00
Kowloon No. 2	7.04	2,820.00	280.00
Kowloon No. 3	4.00	1,600.00	160.00

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

ON SATURDAY, the 22nd Instant all departments will be open for business until 5 P.M.

ON MONDAY, the 24th Instant, all departments will be open until 7 P.M.

ON THESE DAYS, the Dispensing Department will remain open until 7.30 P.M.

ON CHRISTMAS DAY and WEDNESDAY, 26th December, all departments will be CLOSED. The Hongkong Dispensary, Dispensing Department, will be open for dispensing prescriptions from 10 A.M. to 1 P.M. and from 6 P.M. to 7.30 P.M.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

Hongkong, 20th December 1923.

NEWS FROM THE OLD COUNTRY

Send 13/- and we will mail for regularly every week for 26 weeks a copy of a live British weekly Newspaper such as: Bystander, People, Tit Bits, Pearson's, Sketch, Sphere, Illustrated London News, Big Ads, and others. A different paper sent weekly, or the same publication for 26 weeks. 13/- pays for a year's subscription, including postage. Most unique and up-to-date service, greatly appreciated by members throughout the Empire. Send 13/- to-day to: Periodical Posting Coy., Plymouth, England.

TUNG SANG

TAILOR

11A Peel Street

同生上等洋服西裝

EXPERT FITTERS

HIGH CLASS TAILORING

SERVICE

G. R.

PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the Sale, by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 24th day of December, 1923, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of Hong Kong, of CROWN LAND at Powen Road in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. on Plan	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Sq. Ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price
Inland Lot No. 7042		Powen Road.					about 6,000		

DANCING

PALACE HOTEL

The popular

JAZZ BAND

of

"H.M.S. "DESPATCH"

will play at the above Hotel

on SATURDAY

the 22nd December 1923.

DANCING 9.15 P.M.

WING HING

TAILOR

PERFECT FIT GUARANTEED

Specially Selected Woollen Suitings Just Arrived.

Orders Executed at Shortest Notice.

Price lowest.

64, Queen's Rd., Cen.

Hongkong.

Telephone 1417.

WANT ADVERTISEMENTS

25 WORDS 3 INSERTIONS,

$1. PREPAID.

Every additional word 4 Cents for 3 insertions.

FOR

FRENCH TUITION

Write to

A. MOUSSION

c/o "China Mail" office.

INTIMATIONS

PROGRESSIVE SERIES OF PIANO LESSONS.

LEOPOLD GODOWSKY

World's Greatest Living Pedagogue, Editor-in-Chief

The Progressive Series of Piano Lessons is a complete text work for piano study, arranged in accordance with approved teaching principles.

It saves time and expense. It saves the drudgery of unintelligent practice. It saves endless repetition of oral instruction. It develops the intellect. It aids in memorizing.

PROF. DANENBERG IS AUTHORISED TO TEACH THE ABOVE LESSONS.

No. 1, The Albany. Telephone 1674.

LEE KEE

ESTABLISHED 1896

BATHS & BATH-ROOM ACCESSORIES.

Estimates furnished free of charge.

Office 21, Wellington St.

KIMONOS

MAISON UNO

(SHIKISHIMA SHOKAI)

FINE ART CURIOS

60 D Praya East HONGKONG

TELEPHONE NO. 2585

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs on the 1st December 1923:—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT, Above Works Level.

	1922.	1923.
Tytam 6ft. 6in. Below overflow	9ft. 5in. Below overflow	
Tytam Byewash 2ft. 2in. Below overflow	2ft. 6in. Below overflow	
Tytam Intermediate 11ft. 11in. Below overflow	9ft. 5in. Above overflow	
Tytam Tsz Kiu 21ft. 1in. Below overflow	21ft. 3in. Below overflow	
Upper Pokfulam Reservoir 8ft. 8in. Below overflow	18ft. 4in. Below overflow	
Pokfulam 6ft. 6in. Below overflow	7ft. 8in. Above overflow	
STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.	1922.	1923.
Tytam	346.60	370.60
Tytam Byewash	Nil	Nil
Tytam Intermediate	126.07	110.40
Tytam Tsz Kiu	1,729.10	1,561.71
Upper Pokfulam	9.02	15.33
Pokfulam	47.90	92.38
Total	2,258.75	2,017.90

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of November:—

	1922.	1923.
Consumption	182.46	218.2 gallons
Estimated population	385,400	378,800
Consumption per head per day	16.6	19.9 gallons

Intermittent Supply in all Ridge Main Districts during November 1923.—

Intermittent Supply in all Ridge Main Districts up to 6th and Constant Supply in all districts from 7th November 1923.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1922.	1923.
Kwetson Gravitation Reservoir	11ft. 6in. Below overflow	11ft. 6in. Above overflow
STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.	1922.	1923.
Kwetson Gravitation Reservoir	11.15	308.50
Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of November	1922.	1923.
	135.13	162.00
Estimated population	137,500	138,600
Consumption per head per day	32.5	39.1 gallons

Full Supply in all districts during November 1922 and 1923.

The Government Analyst's report shows that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total Rainfall in city November 1922 7.10, 1923 0.00.

H. T. GERAINT,
Director of Public Works.

Public Works Department.

Shops Closed

As above occur many days when business is not brisk, it is well for the public to remember that it is best for the children to have their Cough Remedy in the house. It contains no narcotics and is safe for the little ones. Price 35 cents.

MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

Lady Rosslyn underwent a severe operation in London.

British-made vodka is being supplied to the Russian market.

Hens are being sold by auction for 6d. each at Holbeach, Lincolnshire.

Another 1,000 houses are to be built on the L.C.C.'s Becontree estate.

Blind typists employed experimentally by the L.C.C. will be paid 25s. a week.

Mr. Levi Lovett, who is 70, has resigned the post of Leicestershire miners' agent.

Garrick's Temple, on the riverside at Hampton, has been saved from demolition.

A potato weighing 2½lb. has been dug from an allotment at Hampton Hill by Mr. E. Newman.

Lieut. Brow, U.S. Navy, claims to have reached a speed of 259.16 miles an hour in a Curtiss racing plane.

Caruso's widow, formerly Miss Dorothy Benjamin, is to marry Captain G. A. Ingram, a wealthy Scotsman.

It is feared that the steamer "Baron Blantyre," posted at Lloyd's as missing, was lost in the Indian Ocean during August.

In a charity ballot at Rowley Regis (Staffs), a lady's costume was won by a man and a pair of trousers by a woman.

Mr. C. W. Bowerman, M.P., and Mr. J. H. Thomas, M.P., have been re-elected directors of the Co-operative Wholesale Society.

Thirty-five women, one seventy years old) competed in an ankle beauty competition at Netteswell (Essex), the judge being the vicar.

Chatham Council are asking the Admiralty that at least one of the new cruisers may be built in Chatham Dockyard, so as to provide additional employment.

The general grievance committee of the Pennsylvania Coal Company has voted to call off the strike of 10,000 miners in the Pittson district and send them back to work.

One hundred Republicans from various sections of southern California have formed the Los Angeles Republican Club, an organization pledged to work for the nomination and election of President Coolidge in 1924.

The annual cost of owning and operating the 14,000,000 motor vehicles in the United States is approximately $5,600,000,000, and the investment in these vehicles probably is about $10,000,000,000, A. R. Hirst, Wisconsin state highway engineer, declared in an address before the Michigan Good Roads Association.

L. E. Sheppard, president of the Order of Railroad Conductors, believes one subject sure to come before the conference of rail union chiefs at Cleveland, will be the formation of a definite policy towards amendment of the Esch-Cummins Act, but he declined to comment on the attitude of the unions on that question.

M. Naudin has summoned all the principal city officials of Paris to a council of war to consider the high cost of living. All possible causes of the recent rise in prices will be thoroughly discussed from every angle and each official will be asked to investigate his special field. Another council will be held soon, at which various suggestions for meeting the situation will be brought together and a plan of action formulated.

A petition asking for a referendum on the liquor question in Saskatchewan will be presented to the Government, officials of the Saskatchewan Moderation League say, adding that meanwhile pressure will be brought to bear on the Government to repeal the Saskatchewan Temperance Act, and substitute some measure of government control without putting the Province to the expense of a referendum vote, the cost of which is estimated at $200,000.

Strikes cost the workers of New South Wales $2,813,160 in wages during the three months ended June 30, according to state officials. The idea of striking seemed to have affected the mother state mainly, for of the 28 industrial disputes in Australia involving more than 20,000 workers directly and indirectly, there were only three serious strikes in Victoria, five in Queensland, and one in South Australia. Western Australia and Tasmania appear to have enjoyed perfect peace industrially.

VISITORS AT HOTELS.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

December 7.

Mr R. T. G. Aitken and Mrs Arnold
Mr and Mrs J. Ragram
Mr J. W. Baldwin
Mrs R. E. Bolillos
Mrs E. Blackburn
Mr Henry Block
Mr A. Bolsselier
Mr K. O. Burdin
Mr S. J. Burns
Mr A. R. Burt
Miss I. Canda
Mr E. J. Carmichael
Mr A. Carvelli
Mr and Mrs A. A. Clexton and child
Mr C. M. Cottrell
Mr and Mrs J. M. Craig
Mr and Mrs R. Deming
Miss L. Dinger
Mr C. V. L. Eaton
Mr A. L. Fawell
Mr C. Gadsden
Mr and Mrs W. H. G.
Mrs Garrick
Misses Garrick (3)
Dr R. E. Gill
Mr S. R. Gotts
Mr & Mrs J. Gould
Mrs J. Gray
Capt. and Mrs Gude child and nurse
Capt. T. P. Hall
Mr S. A. Hanlin
Mr J. Scott Harston
Mr H. A. Hooveniер
Mr J. E. Joseph
Mr A. Keating
Miss M. Kerl
Mr L. H. King
Mr and Mrs A. M. Kirby
Mr T. E. Lake
Mrs Langston
Mr G. N. Lister
Mr R. T. G. Aitken
Mr and Mrs J. Ragram
Mr J. W. Baldwin
Mrs R. E. Bolillos
Mrs E. Blackburn
Mr Henry Block
Mr A. Bolsselier
Mr K. O. Burdin
Mr S. J. Burns
Mr A. R. Burt
Miss I. Canda
Mr E. J. Carmichael
Mr A. Carvelli
Mr and Mrs A. A. Clexton and child
Mr C. M. Cottrell
Mr and Mrs J. M. Craig
Mr and Mrs R. Deming
Miss L. Dinger
Mr C. V. L. Eaton
Mr A. L. Fawell
Mr C. Gadsden
Mr and Mrs W. H. G.
Mrs Garrick
Misses Garrick (3)
Dr R. E. Gill
Mr S. R. Gotts
Mr & Mrs J. Gould
Mrs J. Gray
Capt. and Mrs Gude child and nurse
Capt. T. P. Hall
Mr S. A. Hanlin
Mr J. Scott Harston
Mr H. A. Hooveniер
Mr J. E. Joseph
Mr A. Keating
Miss M. Kerl
Mr L. H. King
Mr and Mrs A. M. Kirby
Mr T. E. Lake
Mrs Langston
Mr G. N. Lister
Miss H. Lillie
Mr H. A. Logan
Mr V. Menasche
Mr and Mrs O. T. Merkle
Miss Middlehurst
Mr C. H. Montague
Mrs Stewart Moore
Dr J. Morrison
Mrs M. E. Murobe-son
Madam Lily Negro
Mr G. Ludders de Negri
Mr P. I. Newman
Mr A. Newton
Mr and Mrs H. B. Northey
Mr W. Nunn
Mr and Mrs Cecil Palmer
Mr and Mrs T. E. Pearce
Mr & Mrs T. Petrie
Mr R. A. Pope
Mrs Powley
Mr A. S. Pinson
Major L. W. Redington
Miss M. Rendall
Mrs C. F. Robbins
Mr. M. Schomberg
Capt. A. J. Scott
Mr and Mrs J. Shults
Miss S. Simpson
Mrs H. Staple Smith
Mr F. Soane
Mrs W. H. Sparke
Mr and Mrs J. Staargaard and 2 children
Mr W. Stead
Mr W. Vanden Steen
Miss C. E. Tingley
Mr J. G. Vantchurin
Mr G. Veltborst

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

Mr and Mrs P. Crawford, nurse and child
Mr and Mrs Cross
Mr and Mrs J. D. Danby
Mr Edwards
Mr and Mrs F. Fetterley
Mr and Mrs Fowle
Mr and Mrs James
Mr and Mrs Lowder
Mr & Mrs E. Lund
Mr G. H. Lynott
Mr & Mrs Matheson
Mr and Mrs G. Mitkiff
Mr & Mrs McArtie
Mr and Mrs Remington
Mr & Mrs Robinson
Mr & Mrs Schonte
Mr J. H. ten Goede
Mr E. Du Shank
Mr and Mrs Shank
Mr and Mrs Wilson
Mr & Mrs Worning-ton
Miss and Miss C. L. Bingo
Mr and Mrs W. J. Hawker
Mr P. T. Tarrant
Mrs J. S. Thomson
Mr D. Thopley
Mr A. W. Tickle
Mr W. E. Wickham
Mr J. R. Walker
Capt. A. E. Watt
Mr J. F. Way

PEAK HOTEL.

December 4.

Mr H. E. D. Adams
Capt. and Mrs Anoch
Mr W. Armstrong
Mr and Mrs Arthur
Mr F. Bagot
Mrs L. Bagot
Mr O. R. Baron
Mr G. W. Barton
Miss Barton
Mr R. F. O. Bird
Mr and Mrs F. W. Blackwell
Mr & Mrs J. W. Bonnar
Mr A. C. J. Bowker
Mr H. Bulo
Mr and Mrs S. E. Chubb
Miss C. E. Clark
Mr H. R. Cleland
Mr F. Climes
Mr F. R. Collis
Miss M. Cooper
Mrs L. H. Cormack
Mr W. A. Cornell
Comdr. & Mrs Dow
Mr M. J. Cox
Col. G. W. Davy
Mr A. V. T. Dean
Capt. and Mrs G. C. Dickens
Lt.-Col. R. A. Dob-bin
Mr & Mrs G. Darlos Roberts
Mr & Mrs O. Eager
Dr C. Forsyth
Lt. E. C. Frederick
Mr and Mrs Fitzgerald
Mr F. M. Goldrich
Mr and Mrs W. D. Goodfellow
Mr A. W. Grundy
Miss M. B. Hall
Capt. & Mrs R. Hamil-ton
Mr J. Hancock
Mr and Mrs W. J. Hawker
Mr J. B. Hawker
Mr G. W. Hemsworth
Mr S. H. Hower
Mr S. T. Hill
Mrs R. Hindmarsh
Engr. Geo. Hookon
Mr D. M. Adams
Mrs Mc Allison
Mr & Mrs W. Adsen
Mr Wm. A. Bennett
Mr F. J. Hatchell
Mr I. Cowie
Lieut. P. Jones
Gainher
Mr W. Green
Mr A. H. Hansen
Mr J. Jack
Mr J. Lowrie
Mr M. McCarthy
Mr L. Melaren
Mrs J. Jamquinix
Mrs Mc Millan
Mr L. G. Johnson
Mr W. J. Jordan
Mr J. M. Key
Mr M. F. Key
Mr J. D. Kinnaird
Mr & Mrs A. Lane
Mr E. G. Layman
Mr J. D. Lloyd
Mr L. Lloyd
Mr & Mrs E. Loftus
Mr & Mrs J. Martin
Mr R. F. Mattingly
Mr D. H. F. Master
Mrs H. McCallum
Mr and Mrs R. Mc-Gregor
Miss B. S. McGregor
Mr and Mrs V. Viudlay Mills
Miss A. Miller
Mr T. Mitchell
Mr J. M. E. Nikkels
Miss M. Newsholme
Mr and Mrs H. A. Nott
Mrs E. H. R. O'Farrell
Mrs A. J. Paterson
Mr A. B. Penn
Mr and Mrs T. B. Percy
Major and Mrs F. H. Phillips
Mr and Mrs W. E. Roberts
Mr & Mrs C. E. Sanders
Mr and Mrs L. G. Scott
Mr B. P. Shaw
Mr and Mrs J. Shellshear
Capt. & Mrs Skinner
Mr W. F. Simmons
Capt. and Mrs Ivar Siqueland
Mrs and Miss Stubbings
Mr P. T. Tarrant
Mrs J. S. Thomson
Mr D. Thopley
Mr A. W. Tickle
Mr W. E. Wickham
Mr J. R. Walker
Capt. A. E. Watt
Mr J. F. Way

PALACE HOTEL.

November 27.

Mr and Mrs A. Allison
Mr & Mrs W. Adsen
Mr and Mrs Wm. A. Bennett
Mr F. J. Hatchell
Mr I. Cowie
Lieut. P. Jones
Gainher
Mr W. Green
Mr A. H. Hansen
Mr J. Jack
Mr J. Lowrie
Mr M. McCarthy
Mr L. Melaren
Mr and Mrs J. Jamquinix
Mrs Mc Millan
Mr L. G. Johnson
Mr W. J. Jordan
Mr J. M. Key
Mr M. F. Key
Mr J. D. Kinnaird
Mr & Mrs A. Lane
Mr E. G. Layman
Mr J. D. Lloyd
Mr L. Lloyd
Mr & Mrs E. Loftus
Mr & Mrs J. Martin
Mr R. F. Mattingly
Mr D. H. F. Master
Mrs H. McCallum
Mr and Mrs R. Mc-Gregor
Miss B. S. McGregor
Mr and Mrs V. Viudlay Mills
Miss A. Miller
Mr T. Mitchell
Mr J. M. E. Nikkels
Miss M. Newsholme
Mr and Mrs H. A. Nott
Mrs E. H. R. O'Farrell
Mrs A. J. Paterson
Mr A. B. Penn
Mr and Mrs T. B. Percy
Major and Mrs F. H. Phillips
Mr and Mrs W. E. Roberts
Mr & Mrs C. E. Sanders
Mr and Mrs L. G. Scott
Mr B. P. Shaw
Mr and Mrs J. Shellshear
Capt. & Mrs Skinner
Mr W. F. Simmons
Capt. and Mrs Ivar Siqueland
Mrs and Miss Stubbings
Mr P. T. Tarrant
Mrs J. S. Thomson
Mr D. Thopley
Mr A. W. Tickle
Mr W. E. Wickham
Mr J. R. Walker
Capt. A. E. Watt
Mr J. F. Way

Tickling Throat

Did you ever have that irritating experience caused by a bit of mucus or phlegm that stubbornly refused to be dislodged from the throat, and which, in spite of all you could do, would cause you to cough, cough, cough? Then you know how utterly helpless and miserable you are. Just a few drops of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy taken as directed will loosen the mucus, make it easy to expectorate, relieve the soreness and allay the irritation. Try it and see how quickly relief comes. For sale by Dodwell & Co., Ltd. Everywhere.

HONGKONG'S POPULAR ICE CREAM PARLOUR

THE

BLUE BIRD.

FOR

CHOICE XMAS GIFTS

—CHOCOLATES—TOFFEE—CANDIES—

—CIGARS—CIGARETTES—

—BONBONS—

CORNER OF

QUEEN'S ROAD

AND

PEDDER STREET.

THE QUALITY STORE

FOR

QUALITY GIFTS

Come and purchase your Christmas presents from our wonderful display of Jadestones, Jewellery, Silk, Embroidery, Ivory, Silver, and Gold Ware.

SHIU YUEN CHEUNG

Old Post Office Building, Telephone C. 225,

Queen's Road C. Hongkong.

SWAY HOUSE

HAT MAKER.

No. 18, Wyndham Street.

FURS ARTISTICALLY REMODELLED

HATS & BONNETS CLEANED & RESHAPED

will call on customers, if desired.

Y. NAGATA,

43, Praya East (top floor).

J. T. SHAW

TEL. CENTRAL 692.

LADIES' & GENTS' TAILOR

ANOTHER CONSIGNMENT OF

SUITINGS & OVERCOATINGS

JUST ARRIVED SUITABLE FOR

AUTUMN & WINTER WEAR.

Suits from $65.00

Perfection in Style and Fit Guaranteed

No. 11 Beaconsfield Arcade

(Opposite City Hall.)

PORTS & SHERRIES

We have for many years enjoyed a reputation for our Ports and Sherries second to none. We invite connoisseurs to give our 'D' & 'E' brands of both a trial. We do not ask them to buy blindly but to visit our extensive Wine Vaults and taste these choice wines before buying.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

ESTABLISHED 1841.

Wm. Powell Ltd.

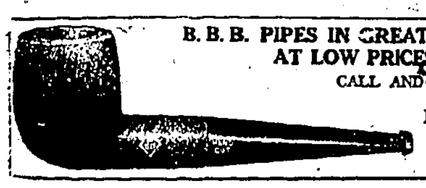
Phone Central 4578

XMAS GIFTS

FOR LADIES	FOR MEN
FURS, GLOVES,	TIES, SOCKS,
DRESSING CASES,	GLOVES, HANDKERCHIEFS,
VANITY & HAND BAGS,	GOLF HOSE, SCARVES,
EN TOUT CAS HANDKERCHIEFS,	DRESSING GOWNS,
SACHETS, TOILET NOVELTIES, ETC.	SUIT CASES, ETC.

TOYS FOR CHILDREN, to please all ages in great variety.

For the convenience of our Customers we shall remain open until 6 o'clock this week.



B. B. B. PIPES IN GREAT VARIETY AT LOW PRICES.

CALL AND INSPECT:—

HONGKONG CIGAR STORE CO., LTD.

Tortoise-Shell Frames For Reading Glasses.

N. LAZARUS. Hongkong's Only European Optician.

The China Mail.

H. HONGKONG FRIDAY, DEC. 21, 1923.

PERTURBATION.

The inarticulate unrepresented articulate have been saying things these days and have been asking each other questions. Strong men have clenched their hands, and looked, as it is vulgarly termed, "daggers." For things have been said and done which they cannot understand, and not understanding, cannot appreciate. They cannot understand why "the thanks of the Colony" should be offered to a group of men who serve on a Jury for a matter of two days—and possibly "a bittock," and are called "Special." They realise, some of them, their own experiences on a "common" jury when the lives of men have been at stake and their time and concentrated endeavour have been given to the case in hand. No thanks were doled out to them; nor exemption either. The former was not asked for or expected, although the latter was desired. A small matter? Yes, a small matter but one which has made the non-special "furiously to think." Then the inarticulate articulate—we do hope we have coined a paradox, says he cannot understand people being found guilty but sentence deferred in the hope that they will divulge certain unknown matters and thereby gain a remittance of sentence. This, they think, may be good diplomacy—which they beg leave to doubt, but does not seem in harmony and accordance with the usual practice of the administration of Justice. We hope our paradoxical ones are not, in this matter, making asses of themselves. If they are, we cut a lance in their behalf and say they are not to blame.

But let us get on to the next thing. And this has to do with Legislative Councillors, money grants, and £1,000. The inarticulates love our Councillors. We know they do, for they read all the speeches they make—sometimes, and notice how often they go to the Opera, and how they support all the *good things* in this place. They always read any speeches they make when grants of money are being made. But alas! they say, they never, or scarcely ever, make any. And they draw our attention to the grant of £1,000 for Mr. Perkins. They don't know much about Mr. Perkins except what they have read. They know he became a Director of Public Works for a while and then retired—on pension. They believe he did good work, even if the Chinese contractors didn't. They regarded him as a modest man, who let his (Public) Works speak for themselves. No road is named after him for there is no music about the sound of Perkins Road, but £1,000 has been given him, voted in the time statisticians says it takes to twinkle an eye, and with scarcely a word in explanation or of protest or congratulation on the part of our great Unpaid Unofficials. The inarticulate articulates ask why? They merely want to know. They argue, and we hope reasonably, that here was an official enjoying such well deserved confidence as to place him in charge of one of the Colony's most important departments. He presumably was paid "Union Wages" and his pension is in accordance therewith. Why then this £1,000 precedent? It is known that the Director that was, was in himself no shirker of work, that he spent long hours in conscientious labour and even devoted a number of his Sundays in the same way. Our I.A.s say that they know all that, but that it cannot be admitted as evidence, and proves nothing beyond the fact that a system which admits of a man undermining his health by overwork, is rotten to the core and should be abolished. It says that when an avowedly rich Government allows such a thing, the Government should have things said and done to it.

From which we hope we have made the case of the Inarticulate Articulates clear and given verbal evidence that they do notice things and how they are done, and possess a mind which is given to thinking. The thanks of the Colony should be given to them.

A New Ambassador.

In these days of twelve-mile limit treaties and reparations arguments an American Ambassador to Britain needs to be something more than a social ornament. It is an excellent thing if he chances to be a good hand at after-dinner speeches as so many famous incumbents of the post have been, but it is far more essential that he shall be a man in whom a sound judgment of affairs is united with skill in handling them and, who, in addition, is able to keep his finger upon the pulse of popular opinion in America. Such a man was Mr. Harvey who, although there was a good deal of head-shaking on both sides of the Atlantic when his nomination was announced, is about to relinquish the post, leaving behind him a remarkable record of accomplishments. Now that America has decided to show at any rate an unofficial concern in the proposed reparations inquiries a peculiar importance is attached to the appointment of Mr. Harding's successor who, it has now been decided definitely, is to be ex-Senator Frank B. Kellogg. Mr. Kellogg, who will be 67 this month, was city attorney of Rochester (Minn.) for three years and county attorney in his state for five years. After holding these offices he practised law until his election to the United States Senate in 1916. The most prominent feature of his career, up to now, has been the part he played in the great anti-trust movement some years ago, when, as special counsel for the United States Government, he prosecuted the dissolution suits against the Standard Oil Company, the Paper Trust and the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific Railway merger. Mr. Kellogg's tenure of office is likely to be of special interest, since he will be the first diplomatic representative from the modern Middle West of America and it is Middle Western American thought which, to a great extent, dominates the political activity of the United States to-day.

Kindness.

The wife of an English diplomatist, wholly ignorant of the language of the country in which she was living, found a simple and direct method of expressing her indignation at seeing a driver cruelly belabouring a horse in the Near Eastern capital to which her husband was accredited. Being unable to make the driver understand her exposition of the enormity which he was committing, she lifted her parasol and soundly brought it down upon the head of the offending man. The incident created some excitement, and the excitement resulted in calling public attention to the fact that animals have rights, and that those rights must be respected.

In another Near Eastern capital, an American woman called attention to the rights of dogs by befriending a faithful friend of man which had been tied to a post night and day, to guard his master's property, with scarcely enough food for his bare subsistence. This American woman had been warned that she must not touch the dog, for it was extremely vicious and would spring at her throat on the first opportunity. Bred in dog-lore and dog-tradition, this new Englander boldly walked up to the dog with every indication of friendliness in voice and gesture, held out her hand and patted it on the head as if it had been her true and true friend. Far from springing at her throat, the animal rubbed its head against her knee and wagged a tail that had apparently lost the habit of wagging.

Thus the Sofia dog realized that it had, at last, found a friend. What is more, the dog's owners, like the driver of the horse, were made to grasp the fact that the Occident looks with disfavour and disapproval on the cruel treatment of animals. The establishment in Sofia of a society for the prevention of cruelty to animals is a result of this contact between the Occident and the Orient. As was the case in Italy, however, when the campaign of kindness to animals was started under the auspices of English-speaking, English-feeling men and women, the basic trouble in the Near East is found to be the absence of any legislation that protects animals from abuse.

In all countries outside of England America, where the gospel of kindness to animals is well established as a national ideal of conduct, the English-feeling conscience is doing a great work for animals. It was the English-speaking race that first conceived the idea of give-and-take for animals, as well as for men. It is no small tribute to the civilization of English-speaking peoples that their moral concepts in this respect are extending to the rest of Europe.

TRAGEDY. Another tragedy of punctuation. A holiday correspondent, writing of a village he had discovered, described it as "pretty clean and picturesque." But the printers omitted the comma.

ST. GEORGE. The Philharmonic sang for us very magnificently "The Banner of St. George" which naturally throws the latter gentleman in a very favourable light. The following throws a little light on England's patron Saint and is not without interest:—

The feast day of St. George is annually observed, in England on April 23; but why St. George should be the patron saint of England is not easy to understand. St. George never had anything to do with England as St. Patrick had with Ireland, St. Andrew with Scotland, and St. David with Wales. St. George, according to authorities who profess to know all about such matters, was born at Lydda, in Asia Minor, lived in later life at Cappadocia, became a Christian and was tortured to death under the anti-Christian laws of Diocletian on April 23, A.D., 303. Over a thousand years later Edward III. "adopted" him as England's patron saint, whether because home-grown saints were unequal to the task of affording the necessary protection is not clear. An old ballad of 1512 runs to the refrain of St. George, he was forre England; St. Dennys was for France.

Sing Honi soit qui mal y pense.

Shakespeare makes Henry V., in his address to his soldiers before Harfleur, invoke the old Cappadocian's aid:

Follow your spirit; and upon this charge.
Cry: God for Harry, England and St. George.

Whatever his antecedents, St. George has done his job reasonably well, and until his work shows some signs of deterioration there appears to be no good reason for seeking other saintly patronage. There is no "retiring age" for saints.

PRECEDENCE. "Wot's wrong, Bill?"

"Wife's down with the 'flu, and best cow's dead crook."

"Off fer the docter?"

"No, vet.!"

NOVICES IN CRIME "It is a grave and terrible thing to send a fellow-creature to prison for the first time. I ask you to think twice and thrice before doing so." These humane words were spoken, not by any sickly sentimentalist, but by the Lord Chief Justice of England at the Annual Meeting of the Magistrates' Association.

It is consoling to hear from the Chairman of the London Sessions, Sir Robert Wallace, that magistrates are at length making increased use of the merciful discretion the law allows.

Already the results are good. The figures show that out of every hundred prisoners bound over only five ever return to criminal life, while since the Probation of Offenders' Act has been in force there has been a thirty per cent. diminution in crime.

The system under which first offenders are saved from prison, with its crushing torture of mind and spirit, has passed beyond the stage of experiment and been triumphantly vindicated as an engine of moral reform. The words of the Lord Chief Justice should satisfy the most reactionary magistrate that in the treatment of the young mercy may be blended with justice without injury to the law.

MAKING HER HAPPY. Frenchman—"Ah, madame, your singing was zee most wonderful thing!

Hostess (modestly)—"No, no, Count; the credit should go to my accompanist."

Frenchman—"Quite so, madame, but zee Frenchman is always zee gentleman."

JURY. The Chief Justice has passed on the thanks of the Colony to the members of the Special Jury in the recent medical case. Why? We recently spent three unhappy days as a juryman in a murder trial, but no Colony's thanks came our way—neither were we exempted from service for the next few years. Perhaps "Specials" are superior to the ordinary kind; if so they deserve all they get. Why, by the way, don't they pay Jurymen here as they do elsewhere? In Liverpool certain citizens summoned to sit on petty juries sent in a petition that they should not be summoned unless their expenses were paid by the State. The public duty of serving on juries was of the greatest importance and dignity said the presiding Justice. It was no small thing to be permitted to take part in the public administration of justice, and, except payment of taxes and fighting in war time, service on juries was the only public service a British Citizen was called upon to discharge in return for the incalculable benefits of the State. It was a privilege won from our ancestors for hard fighting, and those jurymen should consider carefully before demanding payment, even of out-of-pocket expenses. It sounds all very high-falutin, but when the Judge is paid the Barrister and the Solicitor and the Policeman, it is seems not unreasonable that the Juryman should expect a little for the time and attention he gives to see that the scales of justice are not overweighted.

TRUE. The woman who looks her best in décolleté never is popular among women. They view her with the same suspicion and jealousy with which a merchant views a rival merchant who has better wares and knows better how to display them.

FOR VALOUR? Six years ago the Empire rang with the valour of Jack Cornwell, the splendid boy-hero of the Battle of Jutland, who, faithful unto death, had won the Victoria Cross. Now the sister of this brave boy has sailed for Canada, because, with all the pluck that is in her blood, she cannot earn a living in her native land.

The treatment accorded to Lily Cornwell is a blot and a disgrace. First her father, then her brother, died for England. How were these sacrifices repaid?

It may be said that the intentions of the public were good; in memory of Jack Cornwell £35,000 was subscribed to the Red Cross Fund and a further sum of £6,000 collected by a local committee at East Ham. But by some amazing stupidity this money was hoarded instead of being allowed to relieve the family, who were in desperate need.

First the dead boy's mother, worn out by the unequal struggle with adversity, died in abject poverty; now the sister, weary of the fight she has waged for the last five years, shakes the dust of the Old Country off her feet and goes to seek her fortune overseas. Meanwhile the large sums subscribed by the British public are kept safely "in hand," some day to be used, it is said, for the erection of a public building in honour of the dead hero.

A little practical kindness to his mother and sister would have been more in keeping with the great spirit in which he died.

TO OBLIGE. The scene was a big race meeting, and a Cockney cheap-jack had taken up his pitch at a spot where there was a big jam in the traffic.

"Ere yare!" he shouted, "a real pigskin purse to 'old yer winnin's, a gen-nine gold plited watch and this bewtiful electrar plited key-ring—the lot for 'arf a dollar! 'Oo's a buyer?"

"Say, mate," shouted a passing sport, "couldn't yer chuck in a race-horse?"

"Ay," was the ininstant reply, "I'll do more, I'll add a stud."

CONTRAST. The life of the newspaper man may be said to be one d——d thing after another, but they can be made very enjoyable things if the n. p. m. will, for the contrasts often are most striking. Take yesterday's relaxation and note the contrast. At 5.15 p.m. he is comfortably seated in the cosy Coronet—and "bimeby" joins in the laughter of the antics of an old friend of Cinema patrons—Ben Turpin who has turned a physical deformity—he squints—to good account. It seems that Ben is destined to do great things for he is a humorist of parts and an actor as well. This present picture is full of laughs and one to "drive dull care away." Later in the evening the n. p. m. is basking in the cadences, the recitatives, the choruses and the solos of Donnizetti's "Lucia" He cannot understand the language and he may not "understand" the music, but he regards the No. 1 Tenor as a jolly fine singer—and actor, which he is, and is thrilled to an extent he cannot explain when he hears the sextette and the mad song. And he goes home, does the N.P.M. feeling and knowing that he might have spent these evening hours differently, but not so profitably, as has been described.

INTENTIONS How often do we do those things we did not intend to do. Here is how two men did them last night. One attended the Ball but found it irksome, so came next door paid for a seat, had a few hours of Grand opera and enjoyed himself. The other intended going to the Ball, entered the Theatre in mistake, said he thought he was in good company and had better stop, bought a ticket—and stopped. These two unpremeditated actions may have far-reaching results. Who knows. At any rate they're interesting—and truthful specimens of altered intentions.

ALL SCOTCH Nane are sae weel as they that hope to be better.

Naething's got without pains but an ill name.

A shave aff a new-cut loaf's ne'er missed.

Bairns are certain care but nae sure joy.

Hearts may gree though heads may differ.

Gaunting bodes want o' ane o' three things—sleep, meat or guid company.

Fair maidens carry nae purses.

A guid tale's nane the waur o' bein' twice tauld.

As lang lives the merry man as the sad.

In ower muckle clavering truth is lost.

Every bean has its black.

He who tells his wife a' is but married.

O' a little, tak a little; when there's naught, tak' a'.

Marry abune yer match an' get yer maister.

A man may spit on his neive an' do but little.

An ill plea should be well pled.

Poor folk's friends soon misken them.

Ony thing for you about an honest man's house but a day's wark.

Next to nae wife a gude ane's best.

Aye in a hurry; aye ahint.

God comes with leaden feet, but strikes wi' iron hands.

A dog winna yowl if you fell him wi' a bane.

A rich man's wooing no lang a-doing.

A WARNING. The *China Mail's* picture page yesterday showed the device adopted by the Cincinatti Municipal Court to impress on those concerned the cause of accidents, by motors, the number of deaths as a result, and the effects. These latter are pain, misery, death, and the former ignorance, carelessness and drunkenness. All this is shown on a chart which is hung in a prominent position in the Court. We have had a sufficient number of accidents to make the adoption of this very practical chart a necessity. We shall never be free from accidents whilst the spirit exists which takes risks and comes under number two of the causes. If speed-hogs when hailed before the bench could see such a chart vividly before their eyes, they would probably be more impressed than by words of admonition and the infliction of a fine.

THE LATEST. As an aid and a very agreeable aid to shopping commend us to the latest "improvement" effected by Whiteaway Laidlaw & Coy. Fickle fortune has been good to the manager of that big store, and, as the world knows, the turn of the wheel or whatever it is they use, produced for him a piano-player from the recent charity fete. That was good news and good luck. But the piano is not to be hidden away in the fastness of a dwelling house to be heard only by the favoured few. It has been installed in the premises of the big store in Des Voeux Road to delight the heart and soul of those who frequent the place. Thus the happy bachelor, or the equally happy *benedick, the house-wife or* her single sister, can make purchases to the strains of the classical or the more popular. The innovation is deservedly popular. It is not everyday that one has the opportunity of listening to a piano-player that is the last word in that type of artistic production.

To-day's Poem.

(The Last Land.)

What wind is it that stirs,
Lighter than gossamers,
In the pines, in the firs?

The Wind of Youth it blows;
From Yesterdays, Long Agoes,
Under the rose, the rose.

What song is it he sings?
What news is it he brings
Of old, of beloved things?

The Wind of Youth is young;
He goes with a careless song:
No years have done him wrong.

The Wind of Youth is sad.
Nay, he is merry and glad
With the heart of a lad, a lad.

By the Wind of Youth and its word,
Like the song of a fairy bird,
The secret springs are stirred.

O Wind of Youth in the tree,
Go by, nor trouble me
With news of the lost country.

That all so heavenly shows
Under the rose, the rose,
Where none returns, none goes.

—KATHARINE TYNAN.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

DECEMBER 21.

1564. The 21st of December began a Frost, which continued so extremely that on New-yeares even people went over and along the Thamis on the Ice from London-bridge to Westminster, some played at footeball as boldly there, as if it had been on dry land.—*Stow.*

1887. St. Thomas's Day. This is the shortest day of the year—this is the very point of entrance of the deepest cavern of winter..... We have had a sharp north wind these last two days, but bright sun and blue sky and starlight nights, as the watch-man has duly informed us.—*M. S. Holland.*

OF CHARITY.

When God created the earth, it began to shake and tremble; then God created mountains, and put them upon the earth, and the land became firm and fixed; and the angels were astonished at the hardness of the hills, and said, "O God, is there anything of Thy creation harder than Hills?" And God said, "Yes, water is harder than the hills, because it breaketh them." Then the angel said, "O Lord, is there anything of Thy creation harder than water?" He said, "Yes, wind overcometh water; it doth agitate it and put it in motion." They said, "O our Lord! Is there anything of Thy creation harder than wind?" He said, "Yes; the children of Adam giving alms. Those who give with their right hand, and conceal from their left, overcome all."

—MOHAMMED.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

December 21.—Coronet Theatre; Ben Turpin in "A Small Town Idol."

December 21.—Star Theatre; Anita Stewart in "The Yellow Typhoon."

December 21.—World Theatre; "Moon Madness."

December 21.—The Grand Theatre; Herbert Rawlinson in "Fools and Riches."

SPORT.

December 23.—Special Medal Round for men on Old Golf course, Fanling.

SOCIAL.

December 21.—At Helena May Institute, Children's Fancy Dress Dance, 4 p.m.

December 22.—Special Thé Dansant at Repulse Bay, 4.30-6.30 p.m.

December 22.—Dancing in Palace Hotel, Kowloon, 9.15 p.m.

December 23.—St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, Christmas Carol Service, 6 p.m.

January 24.—Fancy Dress Ball at Peak Club, 9.15 p.m.

LAND SALE.

December 24.—At P.W.D. offices, one lot of Crown Land, 3 p.m.

AUCTION.

December 22.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Rooms, a choice lot of liqueurs, noon.

OTHER MEETINGS.

December 21.—Annual general meeting of Royal H.K. Golf Club, at Jardine Matheson's, 5.15 p.m.

December 21.—Annual general meeting of V.R.C. 5.30 p.m.

January 3.—Annual general meeting of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club (Ladies' Section), at Helena May Institute, 11 a.m.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the *China Mail*, are charged for at the rate of $1 each. (as announced in May and June of 1923) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the ordinary rates.

CANTON CUSTOMS.

DR. SUN YAT-SEN'S LATEST MANIFESTO.

GIVING DEFINITE ORDERS.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen's Government has issued another manifesto concerning the Canton Customs.

After tracing the recent history of the revenues, the manifesto maintains that they are a purely Chinese internal affair. "This Government holds and the Diplomatic Body specifically admits that the disposal of the Customs Surplus is a matter with which the Foreign Powers have no treaty right to interfere; and therefore when this Government claims its share of the surplus it has to deal with the rival Government at Peking and the Inspector-General of Customs and with them alone. The Peking Government may send its armed forces here to prevent this Government from receiving its share of the Customs Surplus. But the Foreign Powers are not justified to assemble (as they are now doing) their ships of war in Canton harbour in order to protect, nominally, a disputable right but, practically, to assist the Peking Government to impose its will on this Government."

"In these circumstances, the course of this Government is clear. As the Peking Government, being illegally constituted and nationally repudiated, is not entitled to appropriate or dispose of Customs Surplus funds, this Government has to-day issued an order to the Inspector-General (a) to retain at Canton or other places to be designated all Customs revenues collected within or penal sum inflicted on a defeated people which survives from the pre-war period. Indeed, there is no treaty in force to-day which imposes a similar penalty; even the Treaty of Versailles does not assess punitive but reparatory indemnities against Germany. Further, it must be pointed out that most of the Great Powers—America, Britain, France and Japan—are now only interested in the Boxer indemnity to the extent of seeing that their respective shares are applied to various purposes in the interests of China itself."

A brief reference is also made in the manifesto to "the series of domestic loans mostly floated by the Peking authorities for purposes of either war against the South or corruption and bribery in connection with sundry presidential elections at Peking."

SUN CHANGES TACTICS.

BUSINESS MAN'S VIEWS.

Interviewed to-day, the compradore of one of the leading British firms in Shameen, who came down to Hongkong last night, said that Dr. Sun Yat-sen had not done anything to take over forcibly, the control of the Canton Customs. However, he believed that negotiations were still going on and notes had been exchanged.

Questioned on the reports that the Canton public was incensed at the action of the powers in sending up the fleet, the compradore said that not one per cent of the thinking classes would actually do anything to assist Sun for fear of dislocating trade. What demonstrations had been made, were directly attributable to propaganda and its result among labour leaders who wished to please the Generalissimo. He suggested that the only way to get a public petition signed by numbers representative of all classes, would be to force them to do it.

In his opinion, Sun would not attempt to use force in the face of such odds. He would try to gain his point by negotiations and meanwhile would attempt to show the Diplomatic Corps that the people were behind him. As a last resort he might set up his own Customs and declare that he had done so in deference to the wishes of the public. This, he pointed out, would not be true, as merchants had already discussed the possibilities and did not want to have to pay Sun and then again get within the scope of the Maritime Customs. This would mean having to pay twice. He thought that the Chinese merchants were only interested as to how they would be affected in their pockets.

CIRCULARS IN HONGKONG.

Circulars in Chinese have been distributed in Hongkong, one having reached the *China Mail* this morning. It is described as by the "Hongkong Fraternity of Nation Deliverers," whoever they may be, and starts off by asking the Chinese to wake up as the country is doomed and to oppose the "show of force by sending men-of-war." After a long rigmarole, it exhorts the Chinese to boycott British and American goods with a special injunction to refrain from patronising "big stores dealing in foreign goods," and asks if "brethren" will tolerate the "direction of the British and American *monarchies*." The last line is, of course, an appeal to "struggle for the recovery of the control of the Customs."

WIRELESS COMPLAINTS.

Complaints have been made in Canton to the effect that some of the foreign naval craft have not adhered to the rules of courtesy regarding use of wireless. It is said that no schedule is adhered to and the Chinese wireless establishments disregarded.

IN BRIEF.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CABLES.

The news from Mexico is conflicting. Both sides are "successful."

• • •

The B.A.T. has declared a final dividend of 9%, making 24% for the year.

• • •

The King of the Belgians has laid the foundation stone of a big wireless station.

• • •

The names of the British members of the Reparations Committee is announced.

• • •

The British Government is awaiting the result of the Afghan Government's effort to capture the murderers of British Officers.

• • •

An international scheme is in course of formation, emanating from the League of Nations, for the restoration of the finances of Hungary.

• • •

Senator Borah has reintroduced his resolution urging the outlawing of all war and suggesting a Judicial substitute in the nature of an International Court.

• • •

The Council of the Royal Meteorological Society of Britain has awarded the Symons Gold Medal for 1924 to Takemettsu Okada, Director of the Central Meteorological Observatory at Tokio.

• • •

According to a *Reuter* cable from Guayaquil, in Ecuador, a message from Tulcan reports that the earthquake there are continuing, twelve being counted within twenty-four hours. It is estimated that the dead total 150. Several hundreds have been injured.

• • •

The Soviet press states that owing to numerous bands, Chunchu's deserters are ravaging the Amur district and other parts of Manchuria. The Soviet's authority there exists only on paper and adds that new outbreaks have occurred at Bokhara and Ferghana, whither Red troops have been sent to crush them.

GENERAL.

New York—American recognition of the present Russian régime and abandonment by this country of forts on the Mexican border, are advocated by two members of the board of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church in conference here.

• • •

Victoria, B. C.—Six harbours on the Pacific coast of Canada—Victoria, Vancouver, New Westminster, Nanaimo, Esquimalt and Alberni—will remain under Federal control, and all remaining harbours will be controlled by the British Columbia Government under an agreement reached between provincial and federal ministers.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Lighting up time to-day is at 5.44 p.m.

Twenty-one Chinese cases of small-pox were reported yesterday.

Exchange on London is 2/33¾, on Shanghai 69¾. Rubber is 47½ cents per lb.

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul, announce a sale of thousands of toys to-morrow.

The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of public business on Christmas and Boxing days.

At the Carol Service in St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Sunday evening, Solos will be sung by Mrs Clements.

The dedicatory service of the chapel of the Stout Memorial Hospital Wuchow is to take place on Sunday afternoon next.

The Hugo Stinnes s.s. "Emil Kirdorf" left Singapore on Thursday the 20 inst., and is due here on Wednesday, the 26 inst.

There is a brief note in another part of this issue of the attraction at the Coronet Theatre, and last night's Opera performance.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Staff Ball of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Coy., is to take place on Friday the 28th inst.

Mr. G. S. Archbutt, Dr. Fitzwilliams Mr. J. R. Hindmarsh and Mr. Percy Smith were passengers on the outgoing "Empress of Australia." The members of the Italian Grand Opera were also passengers.

FIGHTING AT KONGMOON.

GREAT EXCITEMENT PREVAILS.

TROOPS VERSUS VOLUNTEERS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

KONGMOON, December 20, Noon.

Great excitement prevails as fighting has broken out in the city between troops garrisoned in the city and the Merchants' Volunteer Corps. The former are subordinate to Dr. Sun Yat-sen. As was mentioned in a former report, a dispute has existed between the two sides since Monday and matters have come to a head.

2.15 p.m.

The battle continues, consisting mainly of disjointed skirmishes and rifle volleys in various parts of the city.

All business is suspended as the public has decided on a general stoppage of business and a strike.

H.M.S. "Cicala" has left Pak Kai.

UNSOLDIERLIKE.

OLD TIMER RUNS AWAY.

Conduct which can only be described as distinctly unsoldierlike characterises a report made to the Police yesterday by a Chinese ex-soldier who now lives at No. 7, Shanghai Street. He states that on Tuesday he walked to Sheungshui station (Kowloon-Canton Railway) from Samchun, which is just across the border. He took the route along the railway lines and when near his destination, three men approached him. He candidly admits that he thought discretion the better part of valour and ran but was seized by eight others who relieved him of $15 and a ring valued at $13.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The B. F. s.s. "Ixion" left Liverpool on Dec. 8 for Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan and is due here on or about Jan 13

The A. O. L. s.s. "Elkton" is expected to arrive from New York via ports on January 13, 1924.

The B. F. s.s. "Agapenor" left Liverpool on Dec. 15 for Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai and Kobe and is due here on or about Jan. 17.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be closed for the transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 25th and 26th instant.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1923.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS DEPARTMENT.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS

THIS DEPARTMENT will be entirely closed on TUESDAY the 25th December, 1923. It will be open for all purposes from 9 a.m. to 1 noon on WEDNESDAY the 26th December, 1923, and on TUESDAY the 1st January, 1924 Licensed Warehouses will be entirely closed on those dates.

J. D. LLOYD, Superintendent, Imports and Exports.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1923.

MORTGAGE.

MONIES up to $300,000 are available for investment on first class Mortgage security subject to a trustee valuation. Apply to Messrs. Deacon Harston & Shenton, 1, Des Voeux Road Central.

BOARD RESIDENCE:—Single or Double furnished room; Excellent Cuisine from $4 per day inclusive. Victoria Gardens Hankow Road, Kowloon.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.

Clearance Sale "Thousands of Toys"

on SATURDAY,
22nd December, 3 to 8 p.m.
in the grounds of the old Wigwam Tennis Club, Mody Road, Kowloon.

A splendid opportunity to obtain toys for the kiddies at less than Sale prices.

There will also be a number of **Entertaining and Amusing Side-shows.**

Surprise Cake,—containing gold and silver coins, jewellery, &c.

Tea Room,—on Cafeteria lines.

The Band of H.M.S. "Hawkins" will play from 3.30 to 7 p.m.

From dusk the ground will be brilliantly illuminated by the China Light and Power Co.

Admission - - - 20 cents.

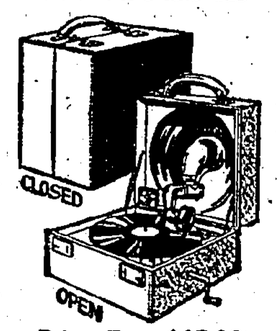
GIANT TINKER
THE MULTI MOTION MODEL MAKER.

Trains & Develops Young Architects Mechanics & Engineers.

A Construction Toy that builds everything.

CALL AND INSPECT IT
XMAS SHOPPING
For the convenience of our Customers, we shall remain open until 6 o'clock p.m.
LANE, CRAWFORD LTD.
ICE HOUSE STREET.

DECCA A XMAS GIFT. DECCA
FOR YOUNG AND OLD



11½ inches Square
Weigut. 13 LBS

Prices From $45.00
AT
ANDERSON'S.
DECCA DECCA

DOLLAR DIRECTORY.

1924 issue

To avoid delay in publication, old and new firms are requested to send particulars at once for insertion in the 1924 issue of the Dollar Directory.

TO THE

DOLLAR DIRECTORY CO.

TEL. C. 22. 5, WYNDHAM ST.

XMAS PRESENTS

Choice Selection from:—
COTY,
HOUBIGANT,
RIGAUD
PIVER, AND
LEGRAND'S
PERFUMES

10 % DISCOUNT THIS WEEK ONLY
THE CHINA DISPENSARY
92, QUEEN'S ROAD C. EAST OF CENTRAL MARKET.

"OVERLAND CHINA MAIL"
Contains all the News of the Week.
PRICE - - 25 cts. PER COPY.

CONTENTS.

	PAGE		PAGE
Domestic Occurrences	1	Naval Marathon	23
Leading Articles	1—9	Shot Himself	23
To N. on Her Birthday	9	Dr. Sander's Sued	24—27
Local and General	9—10	Battery Path Thief	27
Social and Personal	10—11	Kowloon Land Co.	27
$80 000 Ransom	11	$30,000 for Charity	28—29
"Sunning" Piracy	11	European Lady's Bag	29
"Loongtung" Blasting	11	Hongkong by Night	30
Bogus Postmen	11	Oriental Harbour	30
Brandy and Cigars	11	St. Vincent De Paul	30
Council Meeting	12	Local Quake	30
Our Finances	12	Correspondence	30
Earthquake Echo	12	European Missing	30
Opium Law	13	Seceso Portuguesa	31
Local Companies	13	Charivaria	31
Empire Exhibition	13	Canton Customs	32—33
Costaways	14	Arms Evil	33
"Biscuits To-day"	14	Peking Politics	33
Bugger Baggings	14	Kowloon	33
Youthful Curiosity	14	Commercial Notes	33
New Building Law	15—16	Obituary	33
Hainan News	16	Hongkong Art Exhibition	34
Naval Visitors	16	Naval Assembly	34
"The Rajah of Bajahpore"	17	Bugger	34
Minstrel Show	17	Odony's Health	34
British North Borneo	17—18	Brutal Murder	34
Sport	18—22	Ocean Wreckage	34
Yachting	22	Local Bank	35
Shooting Accident	22	Passengers	35
Philharmonic Society	23	Local Share Market	35
Malaria and Dengue	23	Swiss Square Cars	36
Opinions	23	China Light Coy.	36
Whist, Whist	23		

THE CORONET.

XMAS COMEDY SEASON.

Entertainment for Xmas Time requires a good deal of careful consideration. Anything too strenuous or too highly dramatic is distinctly out of order during the festive season. Hence the Coronet's announcement of all-comedy programmes for the next week or so will meet with general approval.

The Xmas attraction proper will be "Penrod," with Wesley Barry and an army of clever children. This film, adapted from Tarkington's boy stories, should make a big hit with the younger element. Constance Talmadge in a piquant comedy "Dangerous Business" is scheduled to follow, thus rounding out the season.

The present film "A Small Town Idol" is about the best thing Mack Sennett has ever put out. Previous attempts to produce a comedy of several reels have not been so successful. In this instance Ben Turpin and his able supporters have the audience with them all the way. The most joyous parts of the film are the scenes where burlesques are made of the familiar old "type" pictures—Westerns, Melodramas and so forth.

COMMERCIAL NOTES.

NAM PAK HONG QUOTATIONS.

No change has occurred in the local sugar and flour markets, with the exception of a slightly firmer tone in prices quoted by speculators who have unsold lots of Java sugar on their hands. A large shipment arrived on Wednesday by the "De Greze" and this had the effect of practically stopping sales by importers. The approach of the Winter Solstice festival (settling day) and the big quantities of "futures" sold recently will prevent any noticeable improvement for some time.

The rice market has improved a little. Quotations are:—No. 1 Siam long white (superior) old or new crop $8.45 per picul, gross weight for net: usual guild terms, "spot" goods; (ordinary) 8.20 and No. 1 Saigon long white 7.40.

WHO IS HE THAT I DRAG ABOUT?

"Who is he that I drag about;
This carping ever present thing
Who splits my purpose, breeding doubt?
Is he my subject or my king?
Body and soul well may be,
But which am 'I,' and which is 'he'?

"Some day they say I shall escape,
And looking down from the high sky,
Shall see below in finite shape,
Divorced by death, this other I:
And know on that transcendent day
That I was spirit, he was clay.

"Yet—what if mine the part to lie,
Cast off, outworn, and viewed with loathing,
To rot where he has flung me by,
Glad to be rid of his smirched clothing?
If he were greater, not the less,
And I below his consciousness?"

KENNETH H. ASHLEY.

EVERYTHING ELECTRICAL

AGENTS FOR:
JOHNSON & PHILLIPS. CABLES, TRANSFORMERS, VERITYS, FANS, ASTON MOTORS, SWITCHGEAR,

Estimates and Advice Free for Installations of Light Power Bells Etc.

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.
ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT.

GANDE, PRICE & CO., LTD.,
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.
Tel. Central No. 135. 8, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

BEG to notify Customers that Assorted Hampers suitable for the Festive Season may be obtained from them at the following reduced rates:—

No. 1 HAMPER.
1 Qt. Moet & Chandon Dry Imperial Champagne
1 " Blackberry Brandy
1 Pt. D.O.M.
1 Qt. Martell's XXX Brandy
2 Qts. King George IV. or Perfection Whisky
1 Qt. Superb Tawny Port
2 Qts. St. Julien Claret
1 Qt. Old Brown Sherry Red Seal
1 " D.C.L. Old Tom or Dry Gin
1 " Burgoyne's Australian Burgundy
1 phial Pomeranzan Bitters
$35.

No. 2 HAMPER.
1 Qt. Guillemart Champagne
1 Pt. D.O.M.
1 " Burgoyne's Burgundy
1 " Martell's XXX Brandy
2 Qts. King George IV. or Perfection Whisky
2 " Tawny Dry Port
2 " St. Julien Claret
1 Qt. D.C.L. Old Tom or Dry Gin
1 " Vino de Pasto Sherry
1 phial Pomeranzan Bitters
$30.

No. 3 HAMPER.
1 Qt. Burgoyne's Burgundy
1 Pt. G. F. Peppermint
1 " D.O.M.
2 Qts. Superior Rich Old Port
2 " King George IV. or Perfection Whisky
1 Qt. Legrand's XXX Brandy
1 " Amontillado Sherry White Seal
2 Qts. Medoc Claret
1 Qt. D.C.L. Old Tom or Dry Gin
1 phial Pomeranzan Bitters
$25.

Hampers of all descriptions made up to suit Customers' requirements.

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMERS

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD

HONGKONG—CANTON LINE

Sailings: From Hongkong daily at 9 a.m. and 10 p.m. (Sundays 10 p.m. only)
From Canton daily at 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. (Sundays 5 p.m. only)

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG—MACAO LINE

Sailings to Macao—Daily at 8 A.M. and 1 P.M. (SUNDAYS 9 A.M. only).
Sailings from Macao—Daily at 8 A.M. and 2 P.M. (SUNDAYS 3 P.M. only).

Further information may be obtained at the Company's Office, 4A Des Voeux Road Central, Messrs. Thos Cook & Son, or the American Express Company Hongkong.

DODWELL & COMPANY, LTD.

NEW YORK BERTH

FOR NEW YORK AND BOSTON Via SUEZ.

S.S. "KENDAL CASTLE".....Sailing on or about 28th Jan.

LLOYD TRIESTINO

TAKING CARGO FOR GENOA, NAPLES, VENICE, TRIESTE AND ALL ITALIAN PORTS

ALSO CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR LEVANT, BLACK SEA & DANUBE PORTS.

FIUME having been re-opened for traffic, cargo is also accepted for this port on through Bills of Lading.

VESSELS HAVE ACCOMMODATION FOR SALOON PASSENGERS

REDUCED FARE FROM HONGKONG TO ITALIAN PORTS £66.

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

S.S. "PERSIA".....Sailing on or about 3rd Jan.
S.S. "CANADA".....Sailing on or about 8th Jan.
SS. "ROSANDRA".....Sailing on or about early Feb.

FOR BRINDISI, VENICE, AND TRIESTE.

Via SINGAPORE, PENANG AND COLOMBO.

DUCHESSA D'AOSTA.....Sailing on or about 1st Jan.
"PERSIA".....Sailing on or about 7th Feb.

This Steamer has been specially chartered to facilitate the forwarding of cargo intended for the reconstruction area of devastated areas in Japan.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS

FROM CALCUTTA & COLOMBO TO SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

STEAMER.....Sailing from Calcutta on or about early Jan.

Regular Passenger and Cargo Service to South African Ports.

Through Bills of Lading issued from Hongkong

For Freight or Passage on any of the above Lines apply to:—

DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.

Telephone Central 1030.

O. S. K.

SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP—Via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.
ITALY.....Monday, 5th February
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Capetown.
PANAMA MARU (Calls at Montevideo)..Tuesday, 8th Jan.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.
BURMA MARU.....Saturday, 22nd Dec.
SHUNKO MARU.....Friday, 28th Dec.
BORNEO MARU.....Friday, 4th Jan.
SAIGON, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK.
BUSHO MARU.....Wednesday, 2nd January.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.
MALAY MARU.....Thursday, 10th Jan.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Shanghai and Japan Ports.
MANILA MARU.....Saturday, 10th Jan.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.
HAMBURG MARU.....Middle of Jan.
JAPAN PORTS—Moji, Kobe, Osaka, Yokkaichi and Nagoya.
ALTAI MARU.....Tuesday, 25th Dec.
KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY.
AMAKUSA MARU.....Sunday, 23rd Dec. at 10 a.m.
KAIJO MARU.....Sunday, 30th Dec. at 10 a.m.
TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.
SOSHU MARU.....Saturday, 22nd Dec. 8 a.m.
TAKAO and KEELUNG.
SOURABAYA MARU.....Friday, 4th Jan.

For further particulars please apply to—

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.
Tel. Central No. 4088, 4089, 4090. K. SHIMA, Manager.

BOSTON & NEW YORK.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE

"BLUE FUNNEL" LINE

(OCEAN S.S. CO., LD. & CHINA MUTUAL S.N. CO., LD.)

AND

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE

(ELLERMAN & BUCKNALL S.S. CO., LD.)

SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

S.S. "CALCHAS".....via Suez Canal.....23rd Dec.
S.S. "COLORADO".....via Suez Canal.....4th Jan.
S.S. "PELEUS".....via Suez Canal.....15th Jan.
S.S. "LANGTON HALL".....via Suez Canal.....25th Jan.

Steamers proceed via Suez Canal or Panama Canal at Owners' Option.
Subject to change without notice.

For freight and particulars apply to:—

SUTTER FIELD & SWIRE or THE BANK LINE, LD., HONGKONG.
(JOHN SWIRE & SONS, LTD.)
HONGKONG & CANTON HOLYOAK MASSEY & CO., LTD., CANTON.

THE EAST ASIATIC CO., LTD.,

COPENHAGEN.

Regular Freight and Passenger Service between Bangkok, Hongkong and Antwerp.

	Expected to be about	Will leave for Bangkok
S/S. "BANKA" (1,618 tons)	4th January 1924	11th January
M/S. "LINTANG" (2,177 tons)	6th January 1924	11th January

Subject to change without notice.

For further particulars please apply to:—

JOHN MANNERS & CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS

RECORD DEPARTURE

SWATOW.

Dec.	22.—O.S.K.	Soshu Maru.
	23.—I.O.S.N.	Wingsang.
	23.—C. N.	Lungchow.
	23.—O.S.K.	Kaijo Maru.
	23.—O.S.K.	Amakusa Maru.
	24.—C. N.	Kiangsu.
	25.—I.O.S.N.	Kwoisang.
	26.—D. L.	Haifoong.
	26.—C. N.	Kingyuan.
	28.—I.O.S.N.	Fooshing.
	30.—I.O.S.N.	Taisang.
Jan.	1.—C. N.	Kwangchow.
	2.—I.O.S.N.	Yatching.
	5.—C. N.	Kweiyang.

AMOY.

Dec.	22.—O.S.K.	Soshu Maru.
	23.—O.S.K.	Amakusa Maru.
	25.—C. N.	Szechuen.
	26.—D. L.	Haifoong.
	26.—C. N.	Kingyuan.
	28.—D. L.	Haichong.
	30.—O. S. K.	Kaijo Maru.
Jan.	5.—C. N.	Kweiyang.

FOOCHOW.

Dec.	21.—D. L.	Haihong.
	26.—D. L.	Haifoong.

SHANGHAI.

Dec.	22.—N.Y.K.	Durban Maru.
	22.—C. N.	Sinkiang.
	22.—C. N.	Lungchow.
	23.—I.O.S.N.	Wingsang.
	24.—A.O.L.	Pres. Jefferson.
	24.—P.M.	Pres. Cleveland.
	25.—C. N.	Szechuen.
	25.—I.O.S.N.	Tilbodas.
	27.—I.O.S.N.	Wosang.
	28.—I.O.S.N.	Fooshing.
	29.—P. & O.	Kashgar.
	29.—B. I.	Torilla.
	29.—N.Y.K.	Akita Maru.
	30.—N.Y.K.	Mito Maru.
	30.—I.O.S.N.	Taisang.
Jan.	1.—N.Y.K.	Fushimi Maru.
	2.—I.O.S.N.	Yatching.
	3.—L. T.	Persia.
	5.—P. & O.	Sicilia.
	5.—A.O.L.	Pres. Grant.
	6.—T.K.K.	Tenyo Maru.
	6.—L. T.	Anna.
	7.—D. F.	Mentor.
	8.—N.Y.K.	Kaga Maru.
	9.—O.S.K.	Manila Maru.
	10.—C.P.S.	Empress of Asia.
	12.—P. & O.	Moreo.
	12.—E. L.	City of Canterbury
	13.—P. M.	Pres. Wilson.
	17.—T.K.K.	Korea Maru.
	17.—A. O. L.	Pres. Madison.
	19.—B. B.	Isla de Panay.
	26.—P. & O.	Karmala.
	28.—N.Y.K.	Iyo Maru.
	29.—A.O.L.	Pres. McKinley.
Feb.	1.—P. & O.	Soudan.
	1.—T.K.K.	Shinyo Maru.
	7.—C.P.S.	Empress of Russia.
	10.—A. O. L.	Pres. Jackson.
	16.—T.K.K.	Siberia Maru.
	22.—C.P.S.	Empress of Asia.

PUKOW.

Dec.	23.—C. N.	Lungchow.

TAKAO.

Dec.	22.—O. S. K.	Soshu Maru.
Jan.	4.—O. S. K.	Sourabaya Maru.

KEELUNG.

Dec.	23.—O.S.K.	Amakusa Maru.
	30.—O.S.K.	Kaijo Maru.
Jan.	4.—O.S.K.	Sourabaya Maru.

HAIPHONG.

Dec.	27.—C. N.	Yunnan.
	27.—I.O.S.N.	Chinching.

TSINGTAO.

Dec.	22.—C. N.	Sinkiang.
	23.—C. N.	Lungchow.
Jan.	2.—I.O.S.N.	Yatching.

HOIHOW.

Dec.	27.—I.O.S.N.	Chinching
	27.—C. N.	Chinhua.
	30.—I.O.S.N.	Chunsang.

SAIGON.

Jan.	2.—O. S. K.	Busho Maru.

BANGKOK.

Dec.	24.—C. N.	Kiangsu.
	25.—I.O.S.N.	Kwaisang.
	30.—I.O.S.N.	Chunsang.
Jan.	1.—C. N.	Kwangchow.
	2.—O.S.K.	Busho Maru.
	11.—K. A.	Bintang.
	11.—E. A.	Bintang.

SINGAPORE.

Dec.	22.—N.Y.K.	Ceylon Maru.
	24.—N.Y.K.	Yomei Maru.
	24.—B. F.	Autolycus.
	24.—A.O.L.	Pres. Jefferson
	27.—B. I.	Takada.
	27.—C. N.	Chinhua.
	27.—C. N.	Kiangyuan.
	28.—U.S.S.B.	West Faralon.
	28.—O. S. K.	Suzuka Maru.
	28.—N.D.L.	Holstein.
	28.—N.Y.K.	Tamba Maru.
	28.—U.S.S.B.	West Faralon.
	28.—G. L.	Glenapp.
	29.—P. & O.	Kaiser-i-Hind.
	31.—B. F.	Dardanus.
Jan.	1.—L. T.	Duchessa D'Aosta.
	2.—F. L.	City of Paris.
	2.—O.S.K.	Busho Maru.
	2.—N.Y.K.	Kashima Maru.
	3.—N.Y.K.	Awa Maru.
	4.—O.S.K.	Borneo Maru.
	5.—C.N.	Kweiyang.
	7.—L. T.	Persia.
	8.—B. F.	Patroclus.
	10.—B. F.	Diomed.
	10.—O.S.K.	Malay Maru.
	11.—B. F.	Melanus.
	12.—P. & O.	Khiva.
	14.—K. A.	Malaya.
	16.—N.Y.K.	Hakone Maru.
	18.—N. L.	Schlesien.
	19.—P. & O.	Sicilia.
	20.—G. L.	Glenstrae.
	20.—R. F.	Titan.
	22.—B. I.	Torilla.
	22.—R. F.	Thessalus.
	25.—P. & O.	Macedonia.
	29.—R. F.	Epeus.
	31.—N. L.	Saarbrucken.
Feb.	1.—R. F.	Cyclops.
	4.—P. & A.	Arlanza.
	4.—B. F.	Mentor.
	7.—K. R.	Isla de Panay.
	9.—P. & O.	Kashgar.
	10.—C.S.K.	Altai Maru.
	15.—P. & O.	Soudan.
	21.—E. L.	City of Canterbury
	23.—P. & O.	Moreo.
Mar.	6.—E. A.	Erle.

MANILA.

Dec.	21.—N.Y.K.	Tango Maru.
	22.—I.O.S.N.	Suisang.
	25.—U.S.S.B.	West Dhopaka.
	26.—C.N.	Taming.
	27.—A.O.L.	Pres. Grant.
Jan.	2.—C. N.	Tsin.
	4.—P. M.	Pres. Wilson.
	5.—P. & A.	Arafura.
	5.—N.Y.K.	Alaska Maru.
	6.—P. & A.	Ile Alsace.
	8.—T.K.K.	Tenyo Maru.
	12.—R. B.	Philadelphia.
	13.—P. & O.	Pres. Monroe.
	16.—N.Y.K.	Yokohama Maru.
	17.—T.K.K.	Shinyo Maru.
	19.—A.O.L.	Pres. Madison.
	20.—P. & A.	Ile de France.
	22.—N.Y.K.	Kamo Maru.
	23.—P. & O.	Kashgar.
	24.—P. & O.	Karmala.
	26.—N.Y.K.	Iyo Maru.
	27.—B. I.	Torilla.
	29.—A.O.L.	Pres. McKinley.
	31.—P. & O.	Sicilia.
Feb.	2.—P. & A.	Arafura.
	2.—E. & A.	Eastern.

SANDAKAN.

Dec.	22.—I.O.S.N.	Hinsang.
Jan.	5.—E. & A.	Arafura.
Feb.	2.—E. & A.	St. Albans.

JAVA PORTS, ETC.

Dec.	22.—O. N.	Taikoowanpin.
	26.—Nanyo Y.K.	Cheribon Maru.
	26.—T.K.K.	Perak Maru.
	28.—N.D.L.	Tilbodas.
	28.—I.O.J.L.	Tjimanuk.
	28.—N.D.L.	Holstein.
Jan.	4.—I.O.J.L.	Tjikini.
	5.—I.O.J.L.	Tjiberang.
	16.—N. L.	Schlesien.
	31.—N. L.	Saarbrucken.

CALCUTTA.

Dec.	24.—N.Y.K.	Yomei Maru.
	27.—B. I.	Takada.
	31.—I.O.S.N.	Laisang.
Jan.	3.—N.Y.K.	Awa Maru.
	8.—I.O.S.N.	Hosang.
	10.—O.S.K.	Malay Maru.
	22.—B. I.	Torilla.

PENANG.

Dec.	24.—N.Y.K.	Yomei Maru.
	27.—B. I.	Takada.
	28.—N.Y.K.	Tamba Maru.
Jan.	3.—N.Y.K.	Awa Maru.
	4.—O.S.K.	Borneo Maru.
	19.—P. & O.	Sicilia.
	22.—B. I.	Torilla.
Feb.	13.—P. & O.	Soudan.
Mar.	28.—P. & O.	Sicilia.
Apr.	22.—P. & O.	Soudan.

BOMBAY AND COLOMBO.

Dec.	24.—N.Y.K.	Yuki Maru.
	28.—N.D.L.	Holstein.
	28.—B. I.	Kaiser I-Hind.
	28.—O.S.K.	Shinko Maru.
	28.—N.Y.K.	Tsinan Maru.
Jan.	5.—O. S. K.	Borneo Maru.
	16.—N. L.	Schlesien.
	19.—P. & O.	Sicilia.
	31.—B. F.	Saarbruckeen.
Jan.	26.—P. & O.	Macedonia.
Feb.	6.—R. B.	Isla de Panay.
	10.—O. S. K.	Altai Maru.
	13.—P. & O.	Soudan.
	23.—P. & O.	Moreo.
Mar.	28.—P. & O.	Sicilia.
Apr.	26.—P. & O.	Soudan.

SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Dec.	22.—N.Y.K.	Tango Maru.
Jan.	5.—E. & A.	Arafura.
	19.—N.Y.K.	Yoshino Maru.
Feb.	2.—E. & A.	St. Albans.
	27.—E. & A.	Eastern.
Apr.	2.—E. & A.	Arafura.
	30.—E. A.	St. Albans.
May	28.—E. & A.	Eastern.

JAPAN PORTS.

Dec.	22.—N.Y.K.	Durban Maru.
	24.—A.O.L.	Pres. Jefferson.
	24.—P. M.	Pres. Cleveland.
	25.—O.S.K.	Altai Maru.
	27.—I.O.S.N.	Namsang.
	29.—B. I.	Torilla.
	29.—P. & O.	Kashgar.
	29.—N.Y.K.	Akita Maru.
	30.—N.Y.K.	Mito Maru.
	31.—I.O.J.L.	Tjikini.
Jan.	1.—N.Y.K.	Fushimi Maru.
	3.—L. T.	Persia.
	4.—C. P.	Philosophos.
	5.—O.S.K.	Alabama Maru.
	5.—A.O.L.	Pres. Grant.
	5.—Yanyo Y.K.	Rangoon Maru.
	6.—T.K.K.	Tenyo Maru.
	8.—L. T.	Anna.
	8.—P. & A.	St. Albans.
	8.—N.Y.K.	Kaga Maru.
	8.—O.S.K.	Manila Maru.
	10.—N.Y.K.	Aki Maru.
	10.—C.P.S.	Empress of Asia.
	12.—E. L.	City of Canterbury.
	12.—P. & O.	Moreo.
	13.—P. M.	Pres. Wilson.
	17.—A. O. L.	Pres. Madison.
	17.—I.O.S.N.	Kutsang.
	19.—B. B.	Telo in Panay.
	26.—P. & O.	Karmala.
	28.—N.Y.K.	Iyo Maru.
	29.—A.O.L.	Pres. McKinley.

HONOLULU.

Dec.	24.—P.M.	Pres. Cleveland.
Jan.	6.—T.K.K.	Tenyo Maru.
	13.—P. M.	Pres. Wilson.
	17.—T.K.K.	Korea Maru.
Feb.	1.—T.K.K.	Shinyo Maru.
	16.—T.K.K.	Siberia Maru.

VANCOUVER, ETC.

Jan.	4.—R. B.	Philoctetes.
	5.—O.S.K.	Alabama Maru.
	8.—N.Y.K.	Kaga Maru.
	8.—O.S.K.	Manila Maru.
	10.—C.P.S.	Empress of Asia.
	22.—N.Y.K.	Iyo Maru.
	26.—R. B.	Tyndareus.
Feb.	7.—C.P.S.	Empress of Russia.
	16.—R. B.	Protesilaus.
	22.—C.P.S.	Empress of Asia.
Mar.	17.—R. B.	Achilles.

VICTORIA.

Dec.	24.—A.O.L.	Pres. Jefferson.
Jan.	4.—R. B.	Philoctetes.
	5.—O. S. K.	Alabama Maru.
	5.—A.O.L.	Pres. Grant.
	8.—N.Y.K.	Kaga Maru.
	8.—O.S.K.	Manila Maru.
	17.—A. O. L.	Pres. Madison.
	22.—R. B.	Tyndareus.
Feb.	10.—A.O.L.	Pres. Jackson.
	16.—R. B.	Protesilaus.
	22.—C.P.S.	Empress of Asia.
Mar.	15.—C.P.S.	Empress of Asia.
	17.—R. B.	Achilles.

SEATTLE.

Dec.	24.—A. O. L.	Pres. Jefferson.
Jan.	4.—R. B.	Philoctetes.
	5.—O.S.K.	Alabama Maru.
	5.—A. O. L.	Pres. Grant.
	8.—N.Y.K.	Kaga Maru.
	8.—O.S.K.	Manila Maru.
	17.—A. O. L.	Pres. Madison.
	22.—N.Y.K.	Iyo Maru.
	26.—R. B.	Tyndareus.
	27.—A.O.L.	Pres. McKinley.
Feb.	10.—A.O.L.	Pres. Jackson.
Mar.	17.—R. B.	Achilles.

PORTLAND.

Jan.	17.—U.S.S.B.	Hannibal.
	24.—U.S.S.B.	Montague.

LOS ANGELES.

Jan.	3.—U.S.S.B.	West Faralon.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Dec.	24.—P. M.	Pres. Cleveland.
Jan.	23.—U.S.S.B.	West Fedjin.
	5.—D. L.	Stanley Dollar.
	6.—T.K.K.	Tokio Maru.
	12.—P. M.	Pres. Wilson.
	12.—T.K.K.	Korea Maru.
	19.—D. L.	Stanley Dollar.
Feb.	5.—T.K.K.	Shinyo Maru.
	19.—T.K.K.	Siberia Maru.

VALPARAISO.

Via Havre: Hosanna, Sir Fabius, Sarthe, Sagitta, Sagitta, Sagitta

P. & O.-BRITISH INDIA APCAR AND EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN LINES

(COMPANIES incorporated in ENGLAND).

MAIL AND PASSENGER SERVICES

STRAITS, JAVA, BURMA, CEYLON, INDIA, PERSIAN GULF, WEST INDIES, MAURITIUS, EAST AND SOUTH AFRICA, AUSTRALASIA, INCLUDING NEW ZEALAND AND QUEENSLAND PORTS, RED SEA, EGYPT, EUROPE, &c.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL FORTNIGHTLY DIRECT ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

(Under Contract with H.M. Government.)

S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"KAISAR-I-HIND"	11,430	22th Dec. at Noon.	B'bay, M'lles, Gib. L'don & A'werp.

1924

"KHIVA"	9,097	12th Jan.	MARSEILLES, London and Antwerp
"SICILIA"	6,813	19th Jan.	S'pore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"MACEDONIA"	11,098	24th Jan.	B'bay, M'lles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	8,840	9th Feb.	MARSEILLES, London & Antwerp
"SOUDAN"	6,686	13 h Feb.	S'pore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"MOREA"	10,911	23rd Feb.	B'bay, M'lles, London & Antwerp
"KARMALA"	9,098	8th Mar.	MARSEILLES, London & Antwerp
"NALDERA"	15,933	22nd Mar.	B'bay, M'lles, London & Antwerp
"SICILIA"	6,813	28th Mar.	S'pore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KHYBER"	9,014	5th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"CHINA"	7,983	19th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SOUDAN"	6,686	26th Apr.	S'pore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KALYAN"	9,118	3rd May.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,860	17th May.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KHIVA"	9,097	31st May.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

"TAKADA"	6,949	27th Dec.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TORILLA"	5,295	22nd Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ARAFURA"	6,000	5th Jan.	Manila, Thursday Island, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	2nd Feb.	do. do.
"EASTERN"	4,000	27th Feb.	do. do.

Frequent connections from Australia with the following:—

The Union S.S. Company's steamers to the United Kingdom via New Zealand, Vancouver, San Francisco etc.

The P. & O. Royal Mail steamers to London via Suez Canal.

The P. & O. Branch Service of steamers to London via the Cape.

The New Zealand Shipping Company's steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

"KASHGAR"	8,840	29th Dec.	S'hai, Moji and Kobe.
"TORILLA"	5,295	29th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"SICILIA"	6,813	5th Jan.	Shanghai,
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	8th Jan.	Moji and Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,911	14th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KARMALA"	9,098	23th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"SOUDAN"	6,686	1st Feb.	Shanghai.
"KASHGAR"	8,840	2nd Feb.	Moji and Kobe.
"NALDERA"	15,933	9th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KHYBER"	9,014	23rd Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"CHINA"	7,983	8th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	8th Mar.	Moji and Kobe.
"SICILIA"	6,813	15th Mar.	Shanghai.
"KALYAN"	9,118	22nd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,860	4th Apr.	Shanghai Moji & Kobe.
"SOUDAN"	6,686	9th Apr.	Shanghai.

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY FITTED ON ALL STEAMERS.

*Passengers for Rangoon must defray their own Hotel expenses at Singapore while waiting for the on carrying steamer.

1st Saloon Passengers may travel by B.I.S.N. Company's steamers between Singapore and Calcutta or Singapore and Madras in lieu of the section of their P. & O. Tickets Singapore to Colombo.

All Cabins are fitted with Electric Fans free of charge.

Parcels Measuring not more than 2½ ft. x 2 ft. x 1 will be received at the Company's Office up to noon on the day previous to sailing.

For Further Information, Passage Rates, Freights, Handbooks, etc., apply to—

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.

22, Des Voeux Road Central HONGKONG. Agents.

PORTLAND DIRECT

and Transhipment for New Orleans, Mobile, Savannah, Charleston, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and Boston.

COLUMBIA PACIFIC SHIPPING CO.

OPERATING UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT SHIPS.

Vessel	Due Hongkong For Philippine Islands	Loading for Portland
"Hannawa"	17th Jan.	17th Jan.
"Montague"	24th Jan.	24th Jan.

ARNHOLD & CO., LTD.

Phone Central 1500. 1A, Chater Road.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE

OUTWARD from Hamburg, Bremen, Rotterdam, and Antwerp:

"RHEINLAND ..... arrive Hongkong about 29th December.

HOMEWARD for Genoa, Trieste, Rdam & H'burg via Philippine Islands.

"PREUSSEN" ..... leaving Hongkong about 9th January 1924

AGENTS:

ARNHOLD & CO. LTD.

1A, Chater Road. Phone Central No. 1500.

Chinkiang—Carlowitz & Co. Macao—A. A. de Mello.

Swatow—Gebruder Boese. Amoy—Paseday & Co.

Foochow—Siamsen & Kuhn. Manila {Outward O. Ranft. Homeward H. Vigelmann & Co.

COMPANIA TRASATLANTICA DE BARCELONA

Spanish Royal Mail Line

For MANILA, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, SUEZ, PORTSAID, BARCELONA & other SPANISH PORTS.

S.S. "ISLA DE PANAY" ..... 8th Feb., 1924

For SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

S.S. "ISLA DE PANAY" ..... 5th Jan., 1924

The steamers of this Company are all classed 100 A1 at Lloyd's and are fitted with every modern convenience for the comfort and safety of the passengers. Stewardess and Doctor carried.

For freight and other passage apply to—

BOTELHO BROS.

HORLICK'S MALTED MILK

Drink HORLICK'S MALTED MILK. Whether a baby or "grown-up" the health-giving properties of HORLICK'S, the FOOD-DRINK, are put into operation right away.

The blood becomes purified, and the brain and body are nourished and "toned-up," as Nature intended by pure food.

Made in an instant by the addition of a little water, hot or cold.

Of all Chemists and Stores.

In Four Sizes.

HORLICK'S MALTED MILK CO. SLOUGH, BUCKS., ENG.

THE KWONG HIP LUNG CO., LTD.

ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS, BOILER-MAKERS, BRASS and IRON FOUNDERS. All work done in this establishment is guaranteed. We have over thirty years' experience. We own two Slipways and can accommodate any craft of 200 feet long.

Town Office: 6 & 7, Connaught Road Central, Hongkong. Tel. Central No. 919.

Shipyard: Shun-Sai-Po, Kowloon, Hongkong. Tel. Kowloon No. 9.

Estimates furnished on application.

PRIZE DAYS.

PEAK SCHOOL.

Lady Severn gave away the prizes at the annual distribution at the Peak School yesterday evening. A large number of parents and friends were present, including Hon. Mr. E. Irving (Director of Education), Rev. T. W. Pearce, Mr. F. C. Jenkin, C.B.E., Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Captain Superintendent of Police) and Mrs. Wolfe, Rev. H. Copley Moyle and others.

A programme of entertainment was given by the children, two well-rendered items being "Oats, Peas and Beans" and "Loopy Loo." Phoebe Cousland gave a good recitation entitled "I wish I knew." Six of the elder pupils gave some pretty folk dances and thirteen elder pupils sang three songs. Then four little tots gave exhibitions of marching to the drum, bugle and mouth organ. They were: Joan Eager, Lesley Bridger, Brian Brearley and Dougal Comrie. Gaily coloured costumes were seen in an effective song called "The Butterfly." An old gavotte dance by four of the elder pupils—Valerie Birss and Gillian Pearse, and Marion Wolfe and Valerie Goodfellow—was the star turn of the entertainment, and the quartette party deserved all the applause they were accorded. They obliged with an encore. Another delightful turn was that of Ailsa Morrison who recited "The Dead Doll." This child is only six years of age and she captivated the audience by her recitation which was remarkably well given.

On behalf of the head-mistress, Mr Irving read the school report. Lady Severn was presented with a bouquet of flowers by Peggy Hornell after which she asked if school could break up for the Christmas holidays there and then and not to-day as scheduled. This request was granted amidst applause.

PRIZE LIST.

Infants B.—Ailsa Morrison, Beryl Arthur, Dilys Milner Jones, Jacob Wontman, Kenneth Griffin, Catherine King, Janet King, Jack Upsdell, Audrey Newhouse and Johannus Spit.

Infants A2.—Heather Lauder, Lesley Bridger, Joan Eager, Dougal Comrie, Brian Brearley and Mary Dunn.

Infants A1.—Daphne Milner-Jones, Joan Ward, Phoebe Cousland and Marion Earle.

Class 8 (a).—Form prize, Neil Wilson; general proficiency, Ronald Mackichan, Alec Mackintosh and Alan Comrie.

Class 8 (b).—Form prize, Bruce Sutherland.

Class 7.—Form prize, Peter Yates; special prize for class work, Peter Yates; general proficiency, Valerie Goodfellow; history and geography, Joan Hornell.

Class 6.—Form prize, Ruth McElderry; special prize (presented by the Rev. H. V. Copley Moyle), Ruth McElderry; general proficiency, Peggy Hornell; special prize, classwork and neatness, Peggy Hornell; general proficiency, Valerie Birss.

THE REPORT.

Attendance.—School opened on January 15th with 62 pupils and closed for the year on November 30th with 52 on the roll. In spring there was the usual exodus of children, some going on leave and others to school at home. Early in the year school was shut down on account of an outbreak of mumps but this was compensated for in some degree by a shortened summer vacation. The attendance throughout the year has been fair.

Staff.—In January Miss Mackintosh joined the staff as kindergarten mistress. Unfortunately she had to leave in April on account of her mother's health. In October Mrs. Lucey joined the staff and, as a trained kindergarten mistress, has greatly helped our infant department. To the great benefit of the school, Miss Dyer was appointed in July as games mistress, and thanks to her efforts and the great kindness of Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher and Mrs. Fletcher we had a most enjoyable and successful sports day at Tanderjee on November 1st.

Health.—As already stated school had to be closed from February 1st to 26th on account of an outbreak of mumps. Since then there have been no infectious cases amongst the children whose general health the medical report pronounced "Excellent." After the medical inspection in a few cases eyes and teeth required attention. Recently the attendance has been weakened by children absent on account of fever and chills.

School Building.—The new cloak rooms and lavatories begun last December were finished early in this year and proved a very valuable addition to the school. Some class-rooms have had windows added which have greatly improved the lighting and ventilation.

Work.—The examination results throughout the year have been most satisfactory. Standard intelligence tests have also been applied, with very satisfactory results. Script writing has been adopted throughout the school, resulting in much neater work.

KOWLOON JUNIOR SCHOOL.

Mrs. E. Cock presented the prizes at a gathering of the Kowloon Junior British School at Gun Club Hill yesterday afternoon. The children had sports from 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m. and tea was served at 4.15 p.m.

The Headmistress (Miss H. F. Skinner), in her report, stated:—

The school year began in January with 46 children on the roll and reached a maximum of 61. Daily attendance of pupils has been on the whole good, particularly for a Junior School. The average percentage for last year was 87 per cent; this year it is 88 per cent. Miss Bailey, who holds the certificates of the National Froebel Union (Kindergarten), arrived from England and commenced duties here in September.

In the actual work of the school no pronounced changes have been made, with the exception of drill, which subject certainly takes a happier, and, in consequence, a more beneficial form. Miss Dyer, a qualified and trained physical culturist, visits the school twice each week. The children love their work with her, and already, since June, one observes a distinct improvement in their general deportment. Miss Dyer also gives, where necessary, special care to special cases, being qualified to do so.

Dr. Woodman took the half-yearly medical inspection this month, and pronounced himself fully satisfied with the children's health and with general conditions.

I said that no changes of moment had been made in the actual work of the school, that is so, but a change has been made with regard to the hours of study. Whereas previously each day during the winter months we have an afternoon session, this year it has been discontinued and summer hours are now permanently adopted. As far as actual teaching hours go, nothing is lost by this change and much is gained. The benefit derived from this change is unquestionable, for the morning hours in a Junior School are infinitely greater teaching value than those of the afternoon. In the afternoon, after tiffin, the child's chief meal of the day—children are more or less dull and unresponsive.

During the year the pupils have enjoyed several educational outdoor excursions. The two Senior classes have had successful nature walks.

At the beginning of the School year, December 3rd, 8 children were promoted to the Senior School.

Two Scholarships are granted to the Kowloon Junior School—one to be gained in each of the Senior classes. Eileen Steel has won the Scholarship in Class 7 (Eileen also held it last year); and Iris Woolley that in Class 8. The Scholarship entitles the winner to one year's tuition.

PRIZE LIST.

The prize list was as follows:—

Class 7.

School Scholarship and Class Prize.—E. Steel.

Drawing.—U. Mitchell.

Class 8.

Class Prize.—I. Woolley.

Drawing.—M. Rousseau.

Class 5.

Class Prize.—M. Witchell.

Handwork.—M. Witchell.

Class 3.

Class Prize.—F. McCaw.

Handwork.—B. Thompson.

The prize winners in the sports were:—

Flat Race (eight years and over).—A. Kelly.

Flat Race (six and seven years).—Helen Wylie.

Flat Race (under six years).—M. Dixon.

Egg and Spoon Race (eight years and over).—M. Groundwater.

Egg and Spoon Race (six and seven years).—P. McCaw.

Egg and Spoon Race (under six years of age).—M. Dixon.

Skipping competition (eight years and over).—Joyce Smith.

Skipping competition (six and seven years).—P. McCaw.

Bunny Jump (eight years and over).—M. Groundwater.

Bunny Jump (six and seven years).—D. Dixon.

Bunny Jump (under six years).—N. Branch.

Team Race.—Winning team, E. Lammert, J. Smith, I. Woolley and D. Pitcairn.

High Jump (boys).—R. Blythe.

High Jump (girls).—E. Blythe.

Obstacle Race (A).—A. Kelly.

Obstacle Race (B).—J. Smith.

CONSIGNEES.

THE BEN LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP LONDON & STRAITS.

The Steamship "BENMACDHUI"

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence, and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th instant, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 10th Jan., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th instant, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD. Agents.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1923.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Destination	Steamer		Sailing.
MANILA	SUISANG	Sat.,	22nd Dec., 11 a.m.
SANDAKAN	HINSANG	Sat.,	22nd Dec., 1 p.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	WINGSANG	Sun.,	23rd Dec., 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SHANGHAI	CINGSANG	Tues.,	25th Dec., 7 a.m.
BANGKOK via SWATOW	KWAISANG	Tues.,	25th Dec., 10 a.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	CHIPSHING	Thurs.,	27th Dec., 10 a.m.
KOBE via MOJI	NAMSANG	Thurs.,	27th Dec., Noon.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	FOOSHING	Fri.,	28th Dec., 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	TAISANG	Sun.,	30th Dec., 7 a.m.
BANGKOK via HOIHOW	CHUNSANG	Sch.,	30th Dec., 10 a.m.
STRAITS and CALCUTTA	LAISANG	Mon.,	31st Dec., 8 p.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW and SHANGHAI	YATSHING	Wed.,	2nd Jan., 7 a.m.
STRAITS and CALCUTTA	HOSANG	Tues.,	8th Jan., 8 p.m.
KOBE via DAIRY YOKOHAMA	KUTSANG	Thurs.,	17th Jan., 7 a.m.

Calcutta Line.—This line now affords regular sailings to Calcutta, Penang and Singapore returning from Calcutta steamers proceed via Straits and Hongkong to Japan, occasionally calling at Shanghai. All steamers have excellent passenger accommodation, are fitted with wireless and carry officially qualified Surgeons.

Shanghai Line.—Sailings approximately every three days between Canton and Shanghai, sometimes calling at Swatow. Through tickets can be obtained and through Bills of Lading are issued to all Northern and Yangtsze Ports via Shanghai.

Manila Line.—A weekly service is maintained with Manila by vessels with good passenger accommodation, sailings from both ports every Friday.

Haiphong Line.—Sailings approximately weekly for passengers and cargo, calling at Hoihow both ways.

Borneo Line.—Fortnightly sailings to and from Sandakan by two 400 tons steamers S.S. "HINSANG" and S.S. "MANSANG" both Steamers having excellent passenger accommodation. Cargo taken on through Bills of Lading for Kudat, Jesselton, Labuan, Tawao and Lahad Datu.

Tientsin Line.—A regular service in summer months between Hongkong and Tientsin occasionally calling at Weihaiwei and Chefoo.

Bangkok Line.—A weekly service is provided between Hongkong and Bangkok via Swatow, by five steamers fitted with up-to-date passenger accommodation.

CALCUTTA LINE.

THE STEAMSHIP

"LAISANG"

will be despatched on

31st December at 3 p.m.

FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to

RANGOON, MADRAS, PORT SWETTENHAM AND DUTCH EAST INDIES.

For Freight and Passage apply to:—

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

Telephone Central 215. General Managers.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE & VANCOUVER via Shanghai & Japan ports.
Through Bills of Lading issued to all Overland Common Points in U.S.A. & Canada.
Through passage rates to Europe via America ..... G.$405, G$440, G$460.
KAGA MARU ..... Tuesday, 8th Jan. at 11 a.m.
IYO MARU ..... Monday, 28th January

MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore &c.
KASUGA MARU ..... Wednesday, 2nd Jan. at 11 a.m.
HAKONE MARU ..... Wednesday, 16th January

HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.
LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila &c.
TANGO MARU ..... Saturday, 22nd Dec at 11 a.m.
YOSHINO MARU ..... Wednesday, 16th January

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON VIA PANAMA.
TATSUNO MARU ..... Saturday, 12th January.

BUENOS AIRES via S'pore, Durban & Cape Town.
KAWACHI MARU (calling Delagoa Bay) ... Monday, 31st December

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
YOMEI MARU ..... Monday, 24th December
TAMBA MARU ..... Friday, 28th December

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
CEYLON MARU ..... Sunday, 23rd December
AWA MARU ..... Thursday, 3rd January

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
ATSUTA MARU ..... Thursday, 10th January

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
DURBAN MARU ..... Saturday, 22nd December
AKITA MARU (Moji, Kobe, Yokkaichi & Yhama) ... Saturday, 29th December
MITO MARU ..... Sunday, 30th December
FUSHIMI MARU ..... Tuesday, 1st January

For further information apply to— NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Tel. Central Nos. 191 & 192. & 2422. Y. AMAMOTO, Manager.

HOP CHEONG

HIGH CLASS FURNITURE MANUFACTURERS.

DEALERS IN

Swatow Hand-Made Drawn Thread Work New and Old Embroideries Silk, &c., &c.

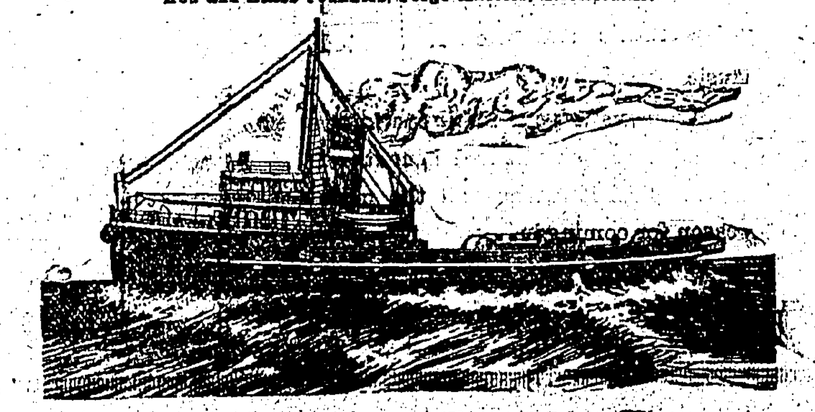
No. 55, Queen's Road Central, HONGKONG, CHINA.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LD.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS "MANIFESTO" HONGKONG

Codes Used: A1, A.B.C. Fifth Edition; Engineering; First and Second Edition; Western Union and Watkins

Dock Owners, Ship Builders, Marine and Land Engineers, Boiler Makers, Iron and Brass Founders, Forge Masters, Electricians.



Steel Twin Screw Ocean-going Tug and Salvage Steamer

"Henry Keswick"

Built, engined and equipped entirely by The Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., Hongkong, for their own service, 1924. Length 165 ft. B.P. Breadth 34' (6) Depth 17' (6). I.H.P. 2000. Fitted with electrically driven [illegible] pumps, air compressors, wireless, searchlights and all modern appliances for Salvage Work.

Please address enquiries to the Chief Manager.

Kowloon Dock, Hongkong.

CHAMPAGNE!! CHAMPAGNE!!

"MUMM"

FOR

XMAS

OBTAINABLE FROM

SOLE AGENTS:—

ARNHOLD & CO., LTD.

1A, CHATER ROAD. 'PHONE CENTRAL 1500.

TAKE YOUR OWN MOVIES

You can do this simply and easily with THE SEPT CAMERA, the latest little marvel from Paris. Just hold the camera in one hand—it is small and compact—then press the automatic spring with the other hand. The camera will do the rest. You thus get seventeen feet of movie film or 2720 separate pictures. The price of this splendid little camera is $300, complete with neat leather case. Buy one for pleasure and profit!

SHOW YOUR OWN FILMS.

The ideal home cinema machine is THE "HOLMES" PROJECTOR, which shows any film made. Worked from an ordinary wall socket, it gives a brilliant, rock-steady picture, occupying from a distance of 50 feet, a space 12 feet by 9 feet. The entire film is under cover the whole time, and the machine is therefore absolutely fire-proof. The price for the complete outfit is $525. Use a "Holmes" for service and safety!

LOCAL AGENTS. HONGKONG AMUSEMENTS LTD. TEL. 4308 CENTRAL.

HUGO STINNES LINIEN

Regular Monthly Freight and Passenger Service between Japan, China, Hongkong, Manila and Straits and Hamburg and other North Continental Ports.

OUTWARD from Hamburg via Port of Call

Steamers.	Tonnage, d.w.	Arrival.
* Emil Kirdorf	9,000 tons	25th December, 1923,
§ Scheer	12,300 tons	2nd half of January, 1924.
* Albert Vögler	9,000 tons	1st half of February, ,,

HOMEWARD for Antwerp, Rotterdam and Hamburg

* Hindenburg	12,250 tons	7th Jan., calling at Manila.
* Emil Kirdorf	9,000 tons	27th Jan, ,, Manila & Cebu.
§ Scheer	12,300 tons	

* Those steamers are fitted with all comfort for the convenience of about 50 first class Passengers, and will call at Naples (Homeward only) to land Passengers. § Cargo boat.

AGENTS: REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.

35, Des Voeux Road Central. Phone Central No. 478.

RENTS DISPUTE.

NATHAN ROAD FLAT.

TENANT OR CARETAKER?

The possession of a flat at No. 33 Nathan Road formed the subject of a rents dispute ventilated in the Summary Court before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) to-day.

The plaintiff, for whom Mr. M. M. Watson appeared, was Chan Shun-sze and the defendant, represented by Mr. F. G. Vaux, was Mr. Robert Arthur Clarke, a clerk in the Naval Yard.

Mr. Watson explained that the flat was originally let to a Mr. Bolderson. A week or two ago judgment for possession was obtained against the latter on the ground that he had not paid his rent for several months. Mr. Clarke claimed to be sub-tenant of Bolderson but the plaintiff's contention was that Mr. Clarke was not a tenant but a caretaker and, alternatively, that if he was a tenant he was not protected at law by the Rents Ordinance. The tenancy of Bolderson having been determined the tenancy of the defendant was, Mr. Watson argued *ipso facto* determined with it.

No rent, Mr. Watson explained, had been accepted from the defendant but the money had been paid into court as from September 1. The rent of the flat was $70 a month. On October 16 a letter was received from Mr. Clarke stating that he was looking after the flat for Bolderson and asking the plaintiff to come and collect the rent. A shroff went over to collect the rent but as only the rent for September was tendered and there was four months rent due he refused to accept it.

The defendant had clearly stated in his letter, maintained Mr. Watson that he was acting only as caretaker for Bolderson and was only paying the rent on behalf of Mr. Bolderson.

As most of the facts were admitted, Mr. Watson did not call any evidence. The defendant, in the witness box, said that he heard that the flat was vacant from a newspaper advertisement. He then got into touch with the tenant, Mr. Bolderson, with whom he arranged to take over the flat after buying the furniture and fittings for $400. When he went in on September 23 he made inquiries and was informed that the rent for September had not been paid. He then obtained a sum of $70 from Mr. Bolderson. When handing over the keys Mrs. Bolderson said her husband owed two months' rent, which he would send to the landlord.

The defendant asserted that he took over the flat only on the condition that he became a sub-tenant of Mr. Bolderson though he admitted, when questioned on the point by Mr. Watson, that his letter was "somewhat misleading." He had never, he said, paid any rent to Bolderson.

After hearing Mr. Vaux, who maintained that the premises were lawfully, if dishonestly, sub-let to Mr. Clarke, His Honour intimated that he would reserve judgment.

PASSENGERS.

DEPARTURES.

For C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Australia," on Dec. 21:—Mr Altman, Miss Ambrose, Messrs C. F. Th. Andersen, Artino, G. S. Archbott, Antonelli, Andreeff, Mr and Mrs C. J. Baker, Messrs Bernardi, Bigardi, A. Blomer, Bury, Barontini, Miss Ballarin, Miss Chan Kan Ying, Messrs Chang Yat Leong, Chang Wing Kai, Castagnino, C. M. Cattrell, Chiais, Mr and Mrs S. C. Chong, Mr B. Y. Chu, Mr and Mrs Cadenazzi, Mr Contiol, Misses Delza, M. Dingman, Mrs A. H. Dougherty, Miss K. Duncan, Mr Dobroff, Mr C. J. Ferguson, Dr. G. H. L. Fitzwilliams, Miss E. Fox, Messrs Fiori, H. Geoffroy, Giletta, Misses Gonsalves (3) Mr Granelli, Mr and Mrs Giorgiani, Mr Garonetta, Mr R. Hall, Miss J. B. Houtz, Mr S. H. Hower, Mr J. R. Hindmarsh, Miss E. M. Hinder, Mr T. A. Hillos, Mrs H. D. Hume, Messrs Innocenti, Krasnageoroff, Lee Wo Sang, Lee Yook Tong, Leung Bak Haw, Mr and Mrs W. P. Liang, Messrs Louie Hok Mun, Louie Wai Chow, Louie Tin Chu, Louie Jan Man, G. Ludens de N. Lucini, Mrs M. V. M. de Mendonca, Mrs M. J. M. de Mendonca, Misses M. de Mendonca, Masters M. de Mendonca, Mr and Mrs Maucori, Mr H. T. McLeod, Mr Miu Yat Po, Mrs Miu Mow Sze, Mr Messina, Mr and Mrs Mosca, Messrs Monat, Ovchinikoff, Paterna, Mrs B. Pevsner, Miss Polastri, Mrs H. W. Robjohn, Miss Rogonese, Mr Rankovezky, Misses Sanchis, C. A. Sawyer, Messrs T. M. Sawyer, M. Schonberg, Scamuzzi, Mrs Mackay Scollay, Messrs Percy Smith, E. Storer, C. C. Saunders, Mr and Mrs W. A. Sandheimer, Miss Shum Tseung Kun, Messrs Sum Kwok Pang, Soarsne, Soldana, Mrs Spampani, Misses Spampani, Mr Silvoff, Mr D. Thornbey, Mr and Mrs Thio Thiam Tjong, Mr J. W. Tsai, Miss Vornos and Mr R. O. Whittekin.

POOR PUSS.

A CATTISH REPAST.

Caught red-handed in preparing a cat for a sumptuous repast late last night, two Chinese were hailed before Mr. E. W. Hamilton this morning on a charge which read "did steal, take and kill one cat valued at $10 from No. 42, Connaught Road Central." The premises are occupied by the Chinese Engineers' Institute and the cat's value may be adjudged from the fact that when its loss was discovered, a member went up to the University to get their President who is employed there, to investigate and call in the aid of the police.

Looking into the kitchen of the adjoining house, the clerk to the Institute saw a number of men gathered round a cat which had been killed, and from which the fur was being plucked. Asked how he identified the animal as the property of the union, the clerk said that it was "of the colour of a mouse" and he also recognised the chain by which it had been tied.

First defendant, who was cook to the inmates of No. 41 said that he was merely obeying his employers' instructions in getting up the special banquet. He claimed that he had been given a detailed recipe as to ingredients for dressing, condiments, trimmings &c., but denied knowledge as to how the cat was obtained. He was not a skilled cat chef and he had called in the aid of the second defendant who was an expert.

His Worship sentenced the first man to one month's imprisonment and discharged the second. A $5 note which had been paid to the clerk as compensation was ordered by His Worship to be impounded until the cook had served his sentence, when it would be returned to him.

ROXOR

The Expert Advertisers & Bill Poster, 2 Queen's Road C. Tel. C. 4542.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

NOW ON SALE,

NEW ZEALAND CREAM CHEESE

80 cents. per lb.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL

SPECIAL

THÉ DANSANT

SATURDAY, 22nd December

4.30 to 6.30 p.m.

Jazz Orchestra in Attendance

Tables for above may now be booked at the Hongkong or Repulse Bay Hotels.

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.

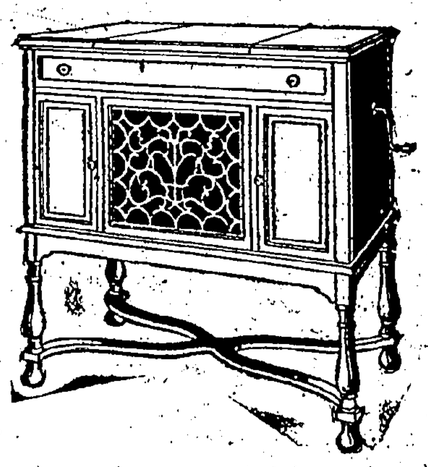
FOR A CHRISTMAS GIFT

COME IN AND

listen to any music you may wish to hear Re-Created on the New Edison. Then listen, on an ordinary Phonograph or talking machine. You'll find that the New Edison sounds infinitely greater.

Why? Simply because..... the New Edison is the only Phonograph which reproduces music so perfectly that there is no difference between the living music and the Re-Created Music.

If you want your family to know the superior beauties and benefits of music which it brings,—all the more reason for coming in.



EDISON MUSIC STORE

AGENTS FOR

THOMAS A. EDISON, INC.,

No. 1, Duddell Street.

EDISON SHOP, 21 Nanking Road, Shanghai

EDISON STUDIO, at Agencia Commercial Macau

HEAR

the Phonograph which reveals No Difference when compared with living artists. It was proved at Carnegie Hall on the memorable night of 30th September 1919, when the whole audience was baffled and astounded when the New Edison successfully sustained the supreme test against living artists.

If you come to our studio, we shall be glad to show you and play for you an exact duplicate of the instrument which was used at Carnegie Hall, Pittsburgh.

Models from $150. to $730.

DECIDE ON A NEW EDISON

CRICKET.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

Cricket this season has reached a very interesting stage. Next week will see the first of what may be called our representative matches but as there will be no interport till early next season, the selectors will not be busy. As will be seen elsewhere in this issue, some strong teams have been chosen. Meanwhile the league is still progressing and the number of matches which have had to be postponed for one reason or another, is not big. It would be worth while to play them as soon as opportunity presents itself to avoid any possibility of abandonment towards the end of the season.

Most of the stronger teams in the senior division of the league have not met one another for some weeks; consequently, the table has not been changed much. The Indians, H.K.C.C. and University have not been defeated and the last-named has not dropped a point in the two matches played. Craigengower, Kowloon and the Chinese are still without a victory. Last Saturday's junior matches had no bearing on the league leadership and R.E. and Civil Service 2nd XI are still first and second. Every team in this division has at least one victory to its credit except the Chinese 2nd XI.

* * *

The Civil Service juniors have played more than half their engagements now and their record is highly creditable when compared with that of last season. This season's team is more or less the same as that which did duty last year, with the exceptions of Grimmett who has had an Irish promotion and Sara turning out more regularly. In spite of the position it occupies, the team, as a whole, is on the weak side. With the exception of Harper, who has been brilliantly consistent, the batting is unreliable and with a pronounced tail. The change bowling is usually expensive and seldom dangerous. They have met every team in the second division except the Navy 2nd. From the R.A.M.C. they were fortunate enough to extract full points in both matches at the beginning of the season. Against the Club juniors, they won by a small margin when playing away and lost heavily on their own ground. They have beaten the Indians and Kowloon once each and lost to the University and R.E. The match with the Chinese 2nd XI was left drawn.

* * *

Several changes have been recorded in the league statistics. The senior batting list has been lengthened by the inclusion of batsmen who have taken part in two innings. As was done last year, the following rule is followed in compiling the averages. Batsmen with averages of 20 runs or over and bowlers with less than 12 runs per wicket, if they have played in at least half their teams' engagements —minimum of two—are included. Redpath, of the R.E. team, who has gone home, still leads the junior batting averages and his name will be included until the Sappers have played thirteen matches—he has batted six times—when it will drop out because he will then not have played in half the matches. Although his average has been increased, E. G. Lammert still shows the way in the first division bowling list. Pomfret (Navy) has displaced Middleton at the head of the junior list. Rough (R.G.A.) and Gould (Navy) are added to the names of those with most wickets in a senior innings. The H.K.C.C. v. Craigengower match last Saturday resulted in a change in the records for this season (to date), the Club having the biggest innings to their credit and the C.C.C., the smallest.

The statistics follow:—

BATTING.

FIRST DIVISION.

	No. of Innings.	Highest Score	Aggregate.	Average.
A.A. Rumjahn (U.)	2	110	154	77.00
A. el Arculli (I.)	4	34*	71	71.00
Hett (U.)	2	56	56	56.00
More (H.K.)	3	97	145	48.33
Purcell (N.)	2	72	91	45.50
O. Ismail (I.)	5	39	164	41.00
Balhetchet (U.)	2	74	76	38.00
Sayer (C.S.)	4	107	139	34.75
Quick (U.)	2	23	34	34.00
Robinson (K.)	2	31	32	32.00
Witchell (C.S.)	3	58*	63	31.50
S. H. Ismail (I.)	5	50	153	30.60
Grimes (Craig.)	2	54	59	29.50
Paffard (H.)	2	46	53	26.50
B. D. Evans	2	43	52	26.00
Sutherland (C.S.)	4	44	98	24.50
de Rome (C.S.)	3	52	70	23.33
Ng Sze-kwong (C.R.)	4	47	87	21.75
Williams (R.A.)	3	36	65	21.66
Ramsey (K.)	3	49	65	21.66
Duncan (K.)	3	25*	43	21.50
J. S. Curreem (I.)	3	41	62	20.66

SECOND DIVISION.

Redpath (R.E.)	6	95	244	48.80
Hagen (H.K.)	4	47	122	40.66
O. Rumjahn (I.)	7	67*	191	38.20
A. K. Mackenzie (H.K.)	4	106	143	35.75
Harper (C.S.)	8	60	245	34.71
Mark (H.K.)	3	53	80	26.66
Reid (H.K.)	5	65*	103	25.75
Walker (R.A.M.C.)	6	44	154	25.67
Weaser (K.)	4	52	97	24.25
Piercy (H.K.)	3	40	68	22.66
Hogg (N.)	2	27	45	22.50
H.D. Rumjahn (I.)	5	65*	87	21.75
Nash (R.A.M.C.)	6	59	130	21.67
Gandy (R.E.)	6	36	127	21.17
D. Rumjahn (I.)	5	50*	83	20.75

*—denotes "not out."

BOWLING.

FIRST DIVISION.

	Wickets	Average
E. G. Lammert (H.K.)	12	4.42
Bowker (H.K.)	8	4.75
Quick (U.)	9	5.00
Bird (C.S.)	9	6.55
Hett (U.)	3	6.66
Sayer (C.S.)	10	7.00
More (H.K.)	5	7.60
A. el Arculli (I.)	19	8.05
A. H. Madar (I.)	9	8.22
Webster (H.K.)	3	8.33
Omar (I.)	13	9.85
W. Hung (C.R.)	6	10.00
Balhetchet (U.)	5	10.00

SECOND DIVISION.

Pomfret (N.)	11	3.45
Middleton (R.E.)	14	5.79
Winter (R.E.)	10	6.80
Percy (R.A.M.C.)	6	7.00
Griffin (H.K.)	12	7.17
Hollands (H.K.)	7	7.43
A.R.F. Raven (K.)	9	7.55
Overy (K.)	8	7.63
Redpath (R.E.)	17	8.00
Petheram (K.)	13	8.31
Sirdar Khan (I.)	20	8.35
Reid (H.K.)	15	8.67
Laing (U.)	16	8.88
Walker (R.A.M.C.)	20	9.20
Sara (C.S.)	43	9.21
Nash (R.A.M.C.)	23	9.57
Fraser (K.)	6	11.33
Mark (H.K.)	12	11.58
E.A. Moosdeen (I.)	10	11.70
Balchin (R.A.M.C.)	4	11.75

LEAGUE RECORDS THIS SEASON.

Highest Individual Score: 1st division, A.A. Rumjahn (University) 110; 2nd division, A. K. Mackenzie (H.K.C.C.) 106.

Most wickets in an innings: 1st division, Sayer (Civil Service) 7 wickets for 23 runs in 9.1 overs (1 maiden), Quick (University) 7 wickets for 23 runs in 12 overs (4 maidens), Bird (Civil Service) 7 wickets for 37 runs in 13 overs (4 maidens), Rough (R.G.A.) 7 wickets for 49 runs in 14.1 overs (2 maidens) and Gould (Navy) 7 wickets for 16 runs in 6.5 overs; 2nd division, Sara (Civil Service) 8 wickets for 35 runs in 11.3 overs and Laing (University) 8 wickets for 25 runs in 15.5 overs (7 maidens).

Biggest Aggregate; 1st division, O. Ismail (Indians) 164; 2nd division, Redpath (R. E.) 244 runs.

Most wickets to date; 1st division, A. el Arculli (Indians) 19; 2nd division, Sara (Civil Service) 43.

Biggest Innings to date; 1st division, H.K.C.C. 221 for 3 (declared) against Craigengower; 2nd division, H.K.C.C. 2nd XI 252 against C.R.G. 2nd XI.

Smallest Innings to date: 1st division, Craigengower 36 against H.K.C.C.; 2nd division, C.R.C. 32 against R.E. and Kowloon 2nd XI 32 against R.E.

MUTABILITY.

1923-1924.

My penance on this festive season
I break with Xmas-tide reason

Rejoice! A happy new year lours
With circles of promising hours—
To disparage all griefs' camouflage,
And re-assert life's old badinage

God-speed to you; sad, fugitive year
The seasons flit to a new career—
And from Reflection's eye, a lurking tear
Lingers on mem'ries of this yesteryear

For 1924 the church-bells peal—
For twelve good months, impervious but still
Abounding with hope, for joys all unseen
The re-birth perhaps of the might-have-been

The darkest hour before dawn, has gone
Bright cloud-ships sail over the ope'ning morn
And futurity's sky is silver-lined
With loving thoughts for all human-kind

Like flowers that fade, friends rejoice and depart,
So why sing the chant of a lonely heart—
Why miss the love that is far away
When a Christ-love was born on Xmas day

Memories hurt, a home-land is dear
But sunbeams still play when noontime draws near—
And all paths are sun-paths, where men have trod—
A tract on life's highway conducing to God

Why sorrow when life is a hazy dream
With disillusionment so it would seem?
Now you are a Rose, Hope is the rain
Sustaining your life-beats with longings vain

Dec. 20. 1923.—H. M. SILVA.

FOOTBALL.

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS.

HONGKONG LEAGUE.—DIVISION I.

S. China	4	Police	0
Ambrose	1	Despatch	0
Diomede	1	R.G.A.	1

DIVISION II.

Hawkins 2 Marasion 1

INTERNATIONAL MATCH.

The annual International match will be played on Boxing Day on the Hongkong F. C. ground, kindly lent for the occasion. Teams:

Scotland — (Blue). — Stewart (Kowloon); Gerrard (Club) and Smith (Tamar); McKelvie (Kowloon); Stewart (Club) (Capt.), and McPhail (Club); Bolneaves (Ambrose), Forsyth (Club), Begg (Club); Hood (Ambrose), and Wemes (Durban). Reserves.—Mair (Club) and A. Duncan (Kowloon).

England — (White). — Douglas (Surreys); Wynne (Police) and Bishop (Club); Petter (Surreys), Hudson (Tamar) (Capt.), and Lelliott (R.G.A.); Charlesworth and Eaton (Surreys), Johnson (Police), Nash (R.A.M.C.) and Mackleworth (Surreys). Reserves.—(Casledine (R.G.A.), Wheeler (Kowloon); Howarth (R.A.M.C.) and Roberts (Tamar).

CLUB v. HAWKINS.

The following will represent the Club 1st. XI in their 1st division league match with H.M.S. "Hawkins" on Navy "A" ground, Happy Valley. Kick off 4. p.m.:—J. Mimmack, W. Gerrard, C. E. Bishop, A. Mair, J. Stewart, J.W.R. McPhail, G. Watson, A. S. Forsyth (Capt.) H. G. Howard, S. D. Begg and G. Angus.

CLUB 2ND v. SACRED HEART.

The following will represent the Club 2nd XI in their 2nd division league match with the Sacred Heart on the Club ground. Kick off 2.30 p.m. sharp:—W. Barr; D. Lyon, S. Garrod; J. Gardner, A. Ferguson, A. Roberts; R. Bell, W. Stewart, E. W. Railton (Capt.), G. T. May and J. Douglas. Reserves:—A. F. Paul and R. W. Williamson.

KOWLOON TEAMS.

The following teams have been selected to represent the Kowloon F.C. in their league matches to-morrow:—

1st XI. v. H.M.S. "Titania" on St. Joseph's ground at 4.00 p.m.:—F. Wheeler, J. Morton, T. L. Knight, J. Leonard, J. McKelvie, H. G. Wheeler, K. Mason, C. Millard, A. Lathan, B. Pasco and A. Duncan.

Reserve:—E. Cooke.

2nd XI. v. East Surrey's Res. on Kowloon ground at 2.30 p.m.:—J. Beach, F. Ollier, D. Urquhart, S. Randle, S. Sibley, B. Rasmussen, V. Hast, B. Vickars, W. H. Brown, A. Spary and B. T. Haylock.

Reserves:—L. H. Taylor and S. Chapman.

CHILDREN WHO GRIND THEIR TEETH IN SLEEP

most usually are troubled with worms. Other symptoms are irregular appetite, bad breath, pain in and swelling of the abdomen, irritation in the nose, failure to make proper progress in development. Administered for a few days Baby's Own Tablets drive out worms, and a marked improvement in appetite

and general health speedily follows. As a remedy for infantile indigestion, constipation, colic, vomiting, diarrhoea and simple fever these tasteless little Tablets have no equal. They allay the pains of teething almost as if by magic, bring restful comforting sleep in a natural way, are *guaranteed* absolutely free from opiates, narcotics or other injurious drugs. Of chemists, or post free, 60 cents the vial, from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 60 Kiangse Road, Shanghai.

CRICKET.

HOLIDAY TEAMS.

CLUB V. UNITED SERVICES.

On Christmas afternoon commencing 2.30 p.m. and Boxing Day commencing 10.15 a.m., the following team will represent the Club against the United Services:—H. R. B. Hancock (capt.), T. E. Pearce, A. A. Claxton, G. R. Sayer, E. B. Reed, Rev. E. K. Quick, R. E. A. Webster, H. Owen Hughes, G. R. More, E. G. Lammert and A. C. I. Bowker.

INTERPORT v. THE REST.

On Saturday, December 29, commencing 2.15 p.m. and New Year's day commencing 10.15 a.m., the following teams will play in the match Last Shanghai Interport team v. the Rest:—

Last Shanghai Interport team:—T. E. Pearce (capt.), G. R. Sayer, A. A. Claxton, Rev. E. K. Quick, A. E. Wood, H. Owen Hughes, A. A. Rumjahn, H. N. Balhatchet, U. M. Omar, Capt. E. R. S. Dods and H. E. Hollands.

The Rest:—H. R. B. Hancock (capt), R. E. O. Bird, R. E. A. Webster, E. B. Reed, E. J. R. Mitchell, B. D. Evans, G. R. More, E. G. Lammert, F. J. de Rome, A.L. Gace and A. C. I. Bowker.

TO-MORROW'S CLUB TEAMS.

The following teams will represent the H.K.C.C. to-morrow, at 2.15 p.m. sharp:—

1st XI v. University (L) on H.K.C.C. Ground:—T. E. Pearce (Capt.), A. A. Claxton, E. J. R. Mitchell, R. E. A. Webster, H. Owen Hughes, G. R. More, E. G. Lammert, A. V. T. Dean, E. G. England, M. M. Maas and J. P. Bridger.

The following have been selected to represent the University in this match:—A. A. Rumjahn (Capt.) H. N. Balhatchet, E. K. Quick, M. H. Roffey, A. S. Hett, T. O. Yeow, S. Hachiuma, D. Laing, A. Hoalim, S. O. Shahabudin and W.M. Giffins. Umpire, R. A. Ponsonby Fane. Scorer, T. K. Kwok.

2nd XI v. University (L) at University:—H. E. Hollands (Capt.), E. C. Hagen, C. R. Baron, G. H. Piercy, H. Griffin, D. Reid, W. W. Mackenzie, A. K. Mackenzie E. L. Black, D. E. G. Nicholson and W. Brackenbridge.

The following have been selected to represent the University 2nd XI in this match:—J. L. Youngsaye (Capt.), M. B. Osman, C. A. Peterson, H. Y. Lam, C. W. Lam, M. A. Kyum, A. T. Barma, H. Y. Leong, H. Hunt, V. R. F. Viccajee and B. P. Ng. Reserve, W. H. Sling. Scorer, P. T. Lim.

"A" Team v. Craigengower "A" at Craigengower:—D. H. F. McMaster (Capt.), L. D. McNicoll, R. M. Macalpine, H. H. Tayler, P. Jacks, C. T. Powle, J. Hancock, Lt. A. D. Armstrong, Lt. D. J. Allfree, Lt. A. L. Sutton and A. Stevens.

CIVIL SERVICE v. CRAIGENGOWER.

The following will represent the Hongkong Civil Service Club on the Civil Service ground at 2.15 p.m. to-morrow:—A. E. Wood (Capt.), G. R. Sayer, B. D. Evans, F. J. Rome, A. R. Sutherland, F. J. Ling, E. B. Reed, J. H. Nihill, R. C. Witchell, F. H. Holdman and W. H. Edmonds.

K.C.C. v. R.G.A.

The following have been chosen to represent the Kowloon C. C. in a league match on their ground versus the R.G.A., at 2.15 p.m. to-morrow:—J. P. Robinson, (Capt.), A. W. Ramsay, S. Jex, R. Pestonji, W. Hyde, L. A. R. Duncan, R. E. Lindsell, J. C. Fletcher, L. E. Lammert, J. Fraser and F. W. Howell. Scorer.—A. W. E. Davidson.

LEAGUE MATCH.

INDIAN R.C. v. THE NAVY.

The following have been selected to represent the Indian R. C. in the above match to-morrow at 2.15 p.m. on the former's ground:—A. el Arculli (Captain), S. H. Ismail, P. Madar, U. M. Omar, A. H. Madar, J. S. Curreem, O. Ismail, S. A. Ismail, S. D. Ismail, H. D. Rumjahn, and A. H. Rumjahn. Reserve: F. M. Arculli.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" from Hongkong on Nov. 29 arrived at Vancouver on Dec. 17.

The B. F. s.s. "Glaucus" left Port Said on Dec. 16 for London Rotterdam and Hamburg.

The P. & O. s.s. "Nellore" from Hongkong arrived at London on Dec. 18 at 6 a.m.

The A. O. L. s.s. "City of Spokane" sailed from Seattle on Oct. 31 and is due here to morrow.

The B. F. s.s. "Laomedon" from Liverpool left Singapore on Dec. 18 for this port and is due here on Dec. 23.

The B. F. s.s. "Calchas" for Boston and New York left Shanghai on Dec. 20 for this port; is due here on Dec. 23 and will be despatched p.m. same day.

The A.O.L. s.s. "President Jefferson" is due here at 7.30 a.m. to-morrow and will sail for Seattle and Victoria via Shanghai and Japan at 10 a.m. Dec. 24.

The B. F. s.s. "Autolycus" for London Rotterdam and Hamburg left Shanghai on Dec. 19 for this port and is due here to-day. The vessel will be despatched at noon on Dec. 24.

The B. F. s.s. "Hyson" left Liverpool on Nov. 15 for Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan and is due here on or about Dec. 26

The B. F. s.s. "Lycaon" left Liverpool on Nov. 24 for Hongkong, Shanghai and Dalny and is due here on or about Dec. 17.

THE WING ON CO., LTD.

SEASONABLE
WOOLLEN
UNDERWEAR

Sweaters, etc., etc.

THE WING ON CO., LTD.,
DES VOEUX ROAD, CENTRAL.

SHIPBUILDERS.
SHIP REPAIRERS.
BOILER MAKERS.
FORGE MASTERS.
OXY-ACETYLENE, AND
ELECTRIC WELDERS.
MECHANICAL, AND
ELECTRICAL
ENGINEERS.

TAIKOO DOCKYARD & ENGINEERING COMPANY OF HONGKONG, LIMITED.

—DRY DOCK—
Length 787 Feet.
Length on Blocks 750 Feet
Depth on Centre of Sill (H.W.O.S.T.) 31 ft. 6 ins.

—THREE SLIPWAYS—
Capable of Handling Ships Up to 3,000 Tons Displacement.
Electric Crane at Sea Wall, Capable of Lifting 100 Tons at 70 Feet Radius

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS: "TAIKOODOCK," HONGKONG.
TELEPHONE CENTRAL No. 213.
CALL FLAG: "O" OVER ANN. PENNANT.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
(John Swire & Sons, Ltd.)
AGENTS
HONGKONG, CHINA & JAPAN.

VOTING CONTEST.

OUR $50 PRIZE.

ANOTHER CINEMA PICTURE POLL.

FILMS SHOWN RECENTLY.

This week, we are holding another voting contest for popular cinema pictures recently exhibited at the Coronet Theatre. Next week we will run a similar competition for films shown at the World. We will give a prize $50 to the competitor who sends in the coupon agreeing most nearly with the order in which the first ten pictures are placed. It is not imperative that the coupon must be exactly correct to win. Somebody must win the $50! Why not you?

Twenty names of cinema pictures are given below. Select the ten you consider the most popular and write them out in the order of your choice. Then cut the form out and send it to the "China Mail" office marked "Vote."

The list which comes nearest the correct solution will win the prize. The correct solution will be decided by the general vote, the item polling the most votes being placed first, the one coming next being placed second and so on until the list of ten is completed.

Therefore the secret of the contest is Not to select the ten most popular items in alphabetical order from our list, But to select the ten most popular items from our list and judge what place each individually will occupy—which will come first, which second, and so on until all ten have been placed.

The contest lasts from Monday to Saturday. The result will be announced in the "China Mail" on the succeeding Wednesday, when the winner's name will be published along with the correct list.

Every copy of the "China Mail" contains one form giving the reader one try for the prize. Regular readers thus have not less than six tries in one week. Competitors may send in as many forms as they like.

Forms should be sent in to reach the "China Mail" by Monday. Any forms received by the "China Mail" later than Monday will be discounted.

When making your choice use only the words given below. Any forms wrongly marked, mutilated, or indistinctly written will be ruled out.

The decision of the Editor upon any points which may arise shall be final.

Members of the "China Mail" staff are debarred from entering the contest.

MAKE YOUR CHOICE HERE

Below we give the names of twenty films recently exhibited. Select the ten you think the most popular.

1... ... ... A Tailor Made Man
2... All The Brothers Were Valiant
3... ... ... Captain Fly-By-Night
4... ... ... Disraeli
5... ... ... Garrison's Finish
6... ... ... Hearts Aflame
7... ... ... Hearts Are Trumps
8... ... ... Human Hearts
9... ... ... Orphans of the Storm
10... ... ... Rich Men's Wives
11... ... ... Salome
12... ... ... The Eternal Flame
13... ... ...The Kentucky Derby
14... ... ...The Love Flower
15... ... ... The Prisoner of Zenda
16... ... The Three Must-Get-Theres
17... ... ... Through the Back Door
18... ... ... Tol'able David
19 ... ... Trouble
20. ... ... Way Down East

CUT THIS OUT

To the Editor
China Mail, *December 21, 1923.*
Hongkong.

Sir,

I consider the following the ten most popular films from the above list, placed in the order in which I think they are liked best:—

Please write clearly in block letters.

1.....
2.....
3.....
4.....
5.....
6.....
7.....
8.....
9.....
10.....

Name .....

Address .....

.....

Col Charles R. Forbes

Sensational charges have been made at a Senatorial investigation committee meeting in Washington against Colonel Charles R. Forbes, former Director of the Veterans' Bureau. He has been charged with borrowing $5,000 from a contractor to whom he is said to have given advance information as to the location of proposed hospitals; of having been on wild drinking parties with the same man; of having planned to sell, illegally, large stores of Government narcotics and of having planned a personal profit of $150,000 on hospitals for veterans. Forbes resigned early this year, when disabled ex-service men protested they were not being justly treated.

Ex-Crown Prince of Germany

The former German Crown Prince, Friederich Wilhelm.

Frank B. Kellogg

Former United States Senator Frank B. Kellogg, of Minnesota, defeated after one term in the Senate, has been picked by President Coolidge to succeed Colonel George Harvey as Ambassador to Great Britain, according to Washington gossip. Harvey is due to retire about January 1, his resignation having been accepted by the President.

President Masaryk

President Masaryk, of Czecho-Slovakia, declares he does not think Germany is headed toward a general break-up. He asserts that some of the German states are strengthening themselves at the expense of Berlin, but thinks it is merely a shifting of the balance of power, and that the German nation will not be destroyed.

Mrs Hazel Foster and baby

Mrs. Hazel Foster, of Cleveland, shown here with her baby Robert, is suing for divorce from Robert Foster, son of the Vice-President of the Standard Oil Company, of Ohio. She charges she was compelled to work to support herself and her baby, while Foster was out at night on gay parties. The bill charges extreme cruelty, gross neglect and wilful absence.

Mr & Mrs Sigmund Moss

By a caprice of war, Mrs. Esther Moss was separated for years from her husband, Sigmund, now a Chicago barber, and has just been reunited with him. Moss was captured three times by the Germans and three times escaped; the last time just before he was to have been sent before a firing squad. He was a Colonel in the Russian Army and received every decoration that the old imperial regime could betow upon him. On the occasion of the third escape he reached France and was drafted into the French Army, from which he deserted and fled to America. The French officials arrested his wife for aiding him to escape. She later fled to Mexico and then came to the United States.

Mrs. Rose Grant

Mrs. Rose Grant, of Chicago, together with her husband, Alford Grant, were shot to death in a road house near St. Louis. The manner in which they were shot down made it apparent that the murders were wanton. Wilbur Stalnaker, Grant's chauffeur, who was wounded at the same time, told the police Grant was a trafficker in whiskey and that he believes the Grants were murdered in a bootleggers' war.

Gen von Seeckt

Because he has not taken sufficiently drastic action in the moves on to split Germany into three parts, General von Seeckt, Commander-in-Chief of the Reichswehr, the only army allowed Germany under the Treaty of Versailles, will probably be forced out of his command and be replaced by General von Moll, a reactionary.

Viscount Holmsdale

When Viscount Holmsdale, of England, under the name of "John A. Amherst," arrived in New York recently to study American insurance methods, he had a passport visaed for only six months' residence in this country. He desires to remain longer, but only the State Department can grant him an extension. Viscount Holmsdale is a great-grandnephew of the famous Lord Jeffrey Amherst, patron of the same name in Massachusetts.

Mrs Caroline Jones

Mrs. Caroline Jones, of Rome, enjoys the distinction of being the only woman in the United States who owns and operates an advertising poster plant. She took over the business at the death of her husband.

Seeking Schicks body

Although the police authorities of San Diego, Cal., declare they have proof that George Schick, wealthy realty broker, has been murdered, they have failed to find any trace of his body to establish a corpus delicti. Mrs. Sarah M. Schick, his wife who presented a forged power of attorney to take over his estate, and Everett Drew Clark, with whom she confessed, she was living are both under arrest. A strange part of the triangle is that Clarke's wife knew of the "love nest" the two kept and even visited them in it. Detectives are here shown digging around the "love nest" in the hope of finding the body.

Berlin food riots

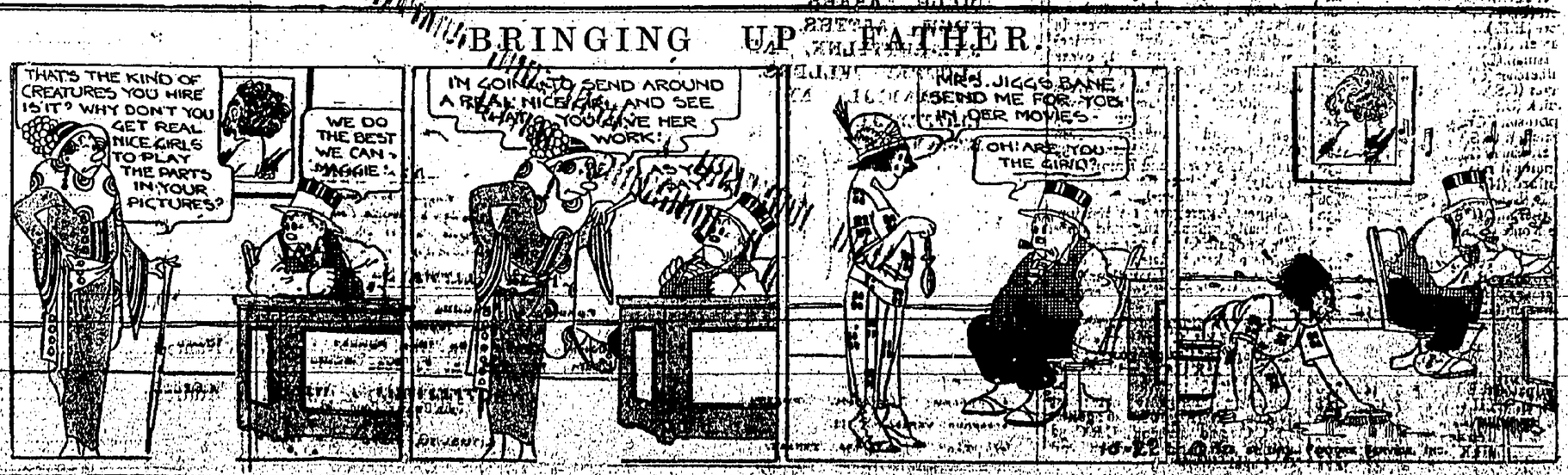
Bread shops and food centres are being seized by the unemployed throughout Germany, while the country seems entirely in the grip of the separatist movement. The above photograph shows the police trying to hold back the mobs in the Schoenberg section of Berlin, where the rioters looted food shops.

Hugo Stinnes, Jr., son of the German industrial magnate, is shown with his wife, pictured on their arrival in New York from Germany. Although only 26, young Stinnes is his father's right-hand business partner.

Do you experience difficulty when reading at night?—If so you should consult an eye specialist. Then reading by lamplight will be a pleasure, not an infliction. Your sight is also protected.

CHINESE OPTICAL CO.
EXPERT OPTOMETRISTS AND OPTICIANS
37 Queen's Road Central.

BRINGING UP FATHER.



EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

RUSSIA AND NAVAL LIMITATION.

RIGA, December 19.

M. Chicherin sent a Note to the League of Nations saying that the Russian Soviet Government, without changing its general attitude towards the League, is willing to send a representative to discuss the proposed extension of the Washington Naval Agreement to States other than original signatories, provided the League will alter its arrangements and convene the conference outside Switzerland.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN TRADE RELATIONS.

LONDON, December 19.

The *Westminster Gazette* anticipates British recognition of the Soviet Government and the re-opening of full trade relations soon after the Conservative Government relinquishes office. It states important negotiations have been proceeding, from which it is clear that the Moscow Government will admit liability for the pre-war Russian debt to Great Britain, and Russia, in return, will claim compensation for damage arising from Allied support to the "White" forces after the revolution. The Soviet also requires credits, as a preliminary to an agreement. The newspaper states that a £400,000 contract for electrical machinery has just been completed with an important British firm.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE.

LONDON, December 19.

There are no signs of a decrease in the spread of foot and mouth disease in Great Britain, of which thirty-seven fresh outbreaks are reported, making a total of 1,330 premises in infected areas. Cheshire is still the most seriously affected area, but the new areas are Norfolk and Warwickshire.

Some 44,000 cattle, 20,000 sheep and 24,000 pigs have been slaughtered since the outbreak and £1,325,000 compensation has been paid.

The Ministry of Agriculture has prohibited hunting and coursing from December 28 in the infected areas. Over thirty counties are affected by the prohibition.

INSULIN.

LONDON, December 19.

The price of insulin is being reduced from 1s. 9d. to 1s. 3d. per dose.

It is stated that all demands can now be met.

CHESTER CONCESSION.

NEW YORK, December 17.

Mr. Knowles, counsel to the Ottoman American Development Company, announces the formation of a syndicate of London banking houses with a capital of £5,000,000 to which the control of the Chester concessions may eventually pass if the company fails to obtain the necessary capital.—*Reuter's American Service.*

IMPERIAL PREFERENCE.

LONDON, December 19.

Except in the unlikely eventuality of the Labour Party taking them over, Mr. Baldwin's preference proposals at the Imperial Conference seem, at present, to be doomed.

The Liberal Press is emphatically declaring that the electorate's rejection of Protection necessarily involved the rejection of the preference proposals.

The *Daily News* feels sure the suggestion that the Dominions have a kind of moral right to insist that the proposals Mr. Baldwin chose to make their representatives must be carried out, whatever the opinion of the British people, will be immediately repudiated by responsible Dominion statesmen when they consider it coolly.

The *Manchester Guardian* says that Mr. Baldwin's Imperial preference infractions of free trade must be reversed, as a matter of course, at the earliest possible moment.

GERMANY'S NEW CURRENCY.

BERLIN, December 19.

The first attack on the stability of the Rentenmark, which has considerably improved economic conditions in Germany, was made by Dr. Luther, Finance Minister, who, at a meeting of the Board of the Renten Bank, requested it to grant the Government a credit, in addition to the 1,200 millions already granted.

Dr. Luther declared that it was only a question of a short period credit, which would not affect inflation.

The Board rejected the request, fearing that further credits to the Government might undermine faith in the Rentenmark.

In view of this refusal, Dr. Luther will obtain money by issuing exchequer short term bills in Rentenmarks to banks, agricultural and industrial concerns.

中法實業公司

SOCIETE FRANCAISE DE GERANCE DE LA BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE ET ETABLISSEMENT FRANCO CHINOIS.

(Incorporated in France)

5 Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong.

HEAD OFFICE: 74 Rue St. Lazare, Paris.

Subscribed Capital Frs. 10,000,000
Paid up Capital ... Frs. 2,500,000

Working fund provided by THE BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE. Frs. 50,000,000.

BANKERS

Paris: Societe Generale, Banque Nationale de Credit. Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas.
London: The London Joint City and Midland Bank, Ltd.
New York: Irving Bank Columbia Trust Co.

Every description of Banking & Exchange Business transacted. Correspondents throughout the world.

A. L. SEITERT, Manager.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

INDIAN FRONTIER MURDERS.

DELHI, December 19.

The Frontier Conference, between the Afghan Governor of Jalalabad and the Political Agent for Khyber, has fixed the responsibility for harbouring the Ajab gang of murderers of British officers on the Sangu tribe, whose representatives were detained as hostages by the Governor, but bolted during the night.

The gang dispersed on learning of the despatch of 600 regular troops against them, and they are still at large.

The Assembly of Mahsuds passed a verdict against three of the tribesmen for the murder of Lieut. Webster on July 6, and called on the Shabi tribe to surrender the culprits, failing which the tribe will be liable to a fine of 12,000 rupees.

GOULD ESTATE.

NEW YORK, December 17.

The United States State Supreme Court has awarded each of the children of the late George J. Gould $563,000 from the trust fund created under their father's will. The court has directed that the money should not be paid to them now, but held pending the end of the present litigation.

It was expressly stated that the Court "assumed without deciding" that the children of the former Guinevere Sinclair, Gould's second wife, were entitled to a share in the trust left by their grandfather, Jay Gould.

The remainder of the estate amounts to $8,500,000.

AMERICA AND SOVIETS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

WASHINGTON, December 19.

In support of Mr. Hughes' refusal to negotiate with Russia, mentioned in a cable message published yesterday, the State Department has published detailed plans which were intercepted in transit from the Soviet Government to the "Workers Party" in America detailing a scheme for a proletarian revolution in the United States to "raise the red flag over White House."

Part of the programme provided for the organisation of fighting units, who were to be instructed weekly in shooting and sapper work.

The Soviet documents express confidence that the carrying out of their instructions would give enormous results in preparing thousands of new propagandists and future leaders of military forces of the Communist Party, and faithful fighters during the social revolution.

POLAR FLIGHT.

LAKE HURST, NEW JERSEY, December 19.

Commander McCrary, of the dirigible *Shenandoah*, says that the first series of tests in connection with the proposed flight to the North Pole was satisfactory.

The *Shenandoah* held secure at her mooring mast for 24 hours in a wind varying from six to twenty miles an hour from various points of the compass.

The new method by which one hundred men might bring down the dirigible, instead of the three hundred hitherto required, also proved successful. Cables from the dirigible were attached to a block and tackle, and three motor trucks slowly brought down the airship.

MADAME CURIE'S PENSION.

PARIS, December 19.

The Madame Curie Pension Bill, granting a State pension to the discoverer of radium, has been unanimously passed by the Chamber.

ASIA BANKING CORPORATION

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT DEPOSITORY.

CAPITAL ..... U.S. $4,000,000.

HEAD OFFICE NEW YORK.

Owned and controlled by a group of leading American Banks under control of Federal Reserve Bank and the New York State Banking Department.

GENERAL BANKING BUSINESS.

BRANCHES:—
Shanghai, Peking, Tientsin, Hankow, Canton, Manila, Yokohama, San Francisco and Hongkong.

D. M. BIGGAR, Manager.

EXCHANGE

Hongkong, December 21, 1923.

On London—	
Bank, Wire	...2/2-1/2
On demand ...	...2/3-1/2
" 30 days' sight ...	...
" 4 months' sight	...2/4
Credits, 4 months' sight	...2/4-1/2
Documentary 4 months' sight	2/4 1/2
On Paris—	
On demand	980
Credits, 4 months' sight ...	1040
On demand	...nom.
On New York—	
On demand	50 3/8
Credits, 60 days' sight ...	52
On Bombay—	
Wire	...
On demand	162 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire	...
On demand	162 1/2
On Singapore—	
On demand	98 3/8
On Manila—	
On demand	101 1/2
On Shanghai—	
On demand	nom.
30 days' sight (private paper)	
On Yokohama—	
On demand	108 1/2
Gold Tael, 100 fine (per tael)	50.96
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	8.42
Silver (per oz.)	...33 1/16

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Hongkong 50 cents sub. ...	1 % pm.
" 10 " ...	par.
" 5 " ...	8 % pm.
Canton coins " ...	181% dis.
Fen Silver in Hongkong ...	12½ pm.
Chinese Copper Cash	6 % pm.
Chinese Copper Cents ...	...
Rate of Native Interest ...	6 % ps.
Chinese Sub. Coin	19 % dis.
Hongkong Sub. Coin	par.

THE INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL BANK, LTD.

Head Office—York Building, Chater Rd., Hongkong.
Branches—Shanghai & Hankow.
Correspondents in all commercial centres of China and abroad.
PROMPT SERVICE.
Attractive rates for all kinds of deposits.
Inquiries are welcome.
T. H. MAI, Manager.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1908-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 8 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet inches to the height given in the table.

December 17 to 23, 1923.

Day of Week	Day of Month	High Water Standard Time	High Water Height	Low Water Hongkong Standard Time	Low Water Height
		h m	feet	h m	feet
Mon.	17	m 5 7	5.1	m 11 15	2.8
		8 23 a	6.0		
Tues.	18	m 6 14	4.9	m 0 40	3.7
		9 6 a	6.4	m 11 58	3.0
Wed.	19	m 7 16	4.8	m 1 37	3.2
		7 15 a	6.7	0 37 a	3.1
Thur.	20	m 8 8	4.8	m 2 7	2.7
		8 8 a	7.0	1 13 a	2.2
Fri.	21	m 8 56	4.7	m 2 41	2.3
		8 54 a	7.3	1 47 a	1.8
Sat.	22	m 9 41	4.7	m 3 20	2.3
		9 38 a	7.5	2 20 a	1.4
Sun.	23	m 10 27	4.6	m 3 55	2.4
		9 55 a	7.7	2 53 a	1.4

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 21st, 1923.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

11 A.M.

Names	Stock Exchange.	Sharebrokers' Association.
Banks.		
H.S.B.C. T.T. selling rate		2/3
on London ...	2/3	
and on Shanghai ...	$ 69	$69
Hongkong Banks	$ 1030 b. & sa.	n. 1027
Chartered Bank	£ 19 5 n.	n. £19 5
P. & O. Bank	£ 12 n.	n. £12
East Asia Bank	105 b.	b. 105
Mercantile Bank A B	£39 b.	n. "A" £38
do. C	£19 b.	
Marine Insurances		
Canton Insurance	700 b.	b. 700 sa. 710
North China Insurance	$ 140 b.	n. 140
Union Insurance	$ 236 s. 232 sa.	n. 230
Insurance, Yangtsze	$ 28 n.	s. 26
Far Easterns		
Fire Insurances		b. 130
China Fire Insurance	$ 136 b.	b. 515
Hongkong Fire Insurance ...	$ 515 b.	
Shipping		
Douglases	$ 57 n.	n. 56
H.K. Steamboats	$ 48½ b.	s. 48½
Indo-Chinas (Pref.	$ 36½ b.	n. 35
do. (Def.))	$ 133½ n.	
do. (H.K. Reg.) ...	133½ n.	n. 130
Shell Transports	75/- n.	s. 76/-
Star Ferries	$ 63½ b.	b. 63
Hongkong Tugs and Lighter Co.	$ 20 n.	b. 0.70
Refineries		
China Sugar	$ 250 b.	b. 250
Malabon Sugar	$ 54 b.	b. 54½
Mining		
Kailan Mining Adm	64/6 n.	n. 65/-
Langkats		
Shanghai Loans ... Comb.	$24 n.	n. 23½
Shai Explorations ...		
Raubs	$ 5.20 b.	n. 5.20
Tronoh Mines	30/- b.	b. 30/-
Ural Casp.	12/- n.	
Benguet Con	P. 3 n.	
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.		
H. & K. Wharfs	$ 150 s.	s. 149-1/2
H. & W. Dock	$ 160½	b. 160-1/2
Shai Docks	T 87½ b.	b. 86
New Engineerings	T 7 s.	n. 6½
H. K. Engineerings		
Shanghai Hunkews	T $180 s.	
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.		
Hongkong Hotels	$25½ b. New—	(n. 25.15 New—
Hongkong Lands	$ 90 b.	b. 89
Humphrey	$ 23½ n.	b. 23-1/2
Kowloon Lands	$ 87 b.	n. 86
Land Reclamations		
Princes Building	$150 b	n. 150
Cotton Mills.		
Ewo Cotton Mills, Ltd. ...	Tls 11½ b. 11.80 s.	b 11½
Kung Yiks		
Laou Kung Mows		
Orientals	T 5.80 b.	sa. 42
Shanghai Cotton	T 70 s. New $ 51 n.	s. 70 New n. 51
Yangtszepoos		
Miscellaneous.		
Cements	$ 26.30 n.	(b. 25½ sa. 26.35
China Borneos		
China Lights (Old)	$ 13.50 n. x.d.	b. 13-1/2 x.d.
do (New)		
China Providents	$ 22½ b.	s. 24
Dairy Farms	$ 22½ b.	b. 21.50
H.K. Electrics	$ 31½ 31½ s.	b. 31
Watts do	$ 38 b.	
Hongkong and Canton Ice ...		s. 81
Hongkong Hotels	$ 44½ b.	b. 44½
Hongkong Tramways	$ 13.50 b.	b. 13.00
Peak Tramways (Old)	$ 14½ b.	b. 14½
Do (New)	$ 8½ b.	b. 8
Sugar Laundries	$ —	
S. E. Steel Foundry	$ —	
Water Boats	$ 18½ b.	n. 17
Watson's	$ 22-1/2 n.	sa. 22-1/2
Wm. Powells	$ 21 b.	
Lane, Crawfords	$ 16.85 b.	b. 16.60
Canton Ices	$ 64 s.	
H.K. Cooperatives	$ 6½ b.	b. 6-1/2
Margary Tobacco		s. 82
Realties	$ 12½ b.	n. 12.50
Shanghai Docks	$ 20 d.	
H.K. Realty	$ 2.50 b.	b. 2.15
H.K. Trust	$ 4.00 b.	b. 4.00

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL $50,000,000
ISSUED AND FULLY PAID UP $20,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS:—
STERLING... £ 4,500,000
SILVER $24,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS $20,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang,—Chairman.
D. G. M. Bernard, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.
A. H. Compton, Esq. | J. A. Plummer, Esq.
G. T. M. Edkins, Esq. | N. L. Watson, Esq.
Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak | H. P. White, Esq.
W. L. Pattenden, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hon. Mr. A. G. STEPHEN.

Acting Manager: Hongkong—J. McARTHUR, Esq.
Manager: Shanghai—G. H. STITT, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS.
WESTMINSTER BANK, LTD.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened in LOCAL CURRENCY and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods in Local Currency and Sterling on terms which will be quoted on application.
Hongkong, November 13, 1923.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances at 3½ PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,
A. G. STEPHEN, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, November 14, 1922.

THE KEY TO GROW RICH.

THE CHINA INDUSTRIES DEVELOPMENT BANKING CORPORATION LIMITED, of 5, Duddell Street, gives to all its depositors a handsome rate of interest.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL $1,000,000.00

INTEREST:—
For Fixed Deposit...1 year @ 6 %
" 9 months @ 5½ %
" 6 months @ 5 %
" 3 months @ 4 %
For Current Account ..... @ 2 %
For Special Deposit...(personal arrangement).
For Current Savings ..... @ 4½ %
For Fixed Savings...(Regulations obtainable).

CHIU CHU KEH, Manager.
Hongkong, January 10, 1923.

PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LTD.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m.	7.10 a.m.	
7.30 " to	8.00 "	Every 15 Minutes
8.30 " "	8.20 "	" 10 "
		Stopping
8.30		Non Stop
8.37	"	Stopping
8.47	"	Non Stop
8.54	"	Stopping
9.04	"	Non Stop
9.11	"	Stopping
2.20	"	Stopping
9.30 a.m. to	11.00 a.m.	Every 10 Minutes
11.30 " "	12.30 p.m.	" 15 "
		Stopping
12.40	"	Non Stop
12.47	"	Stopping
12.57	"	Non Stop
1.04	"	Stopping
1.15	"	Non Stop
1.20	"	Stopping
1.30 p.m. to	3.00 p.m.	Every 10 Minutes
4.00 " "	4.30 "	" 15 "
4.36 " "	6.30 "	" 10 "
		Stopping
6.40	"	Non Stop
6.47	"	Stopping
6.57	"	Non Stop
7.04	"	Stopping
7.13	"	Non Stop
7.20	"	Stopping
7.30	"	Non Stop
7.37	"	Stopping
7.47	"	Non Stop
7.54	"	Stopping
8.03	"	Non Stop
8.10	"	Stopping

SATURDAYS: EXTRA CAR.
12.00 Midnight.

NIGHTCARS: WEEKDAYS & SUNDAYS

8.30 p.m.	9.00 p.m.	9.20 p.m.
9.30 " "	11.00 "	Every 3 Minutes
11.15 " "	11.45 "	" 15 "
		Stopping

SPECIAL CARS.
By Arrangement at the Company's Office Alexandra Buildings.
Hongkong, June 1, 1923.

Helps Those Hard Coughs

The danger of influenza is its tendency to develop into pleurisy and pneumonia. Stop your cold before it reaches these dangerous points and for the cough and painful, wheezy breathing, take Chan's Berlin's Cough Remedy. 16 M for sale everywhere.

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:—
No. 10, Des Voeux Road, Central.
Established 1918.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL $10,000,000.00
PAID-UP CAPITAL $5,000,000.00
RESERVE FUND $300,000.00

DIRECTORS:—
Mr. Fung Wai Ting, Chairman
Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son, Mr. Kan Ying Po,
Mr. Li Koon Chan, Mr. Mok Ching Kong,
Mr. Fung Ping Shan, Mr. Wong Yue Tong,
Mr. P. K. Kwok, Mr. Chan Ching Shan,
Mr. Kan Chin Nam, Mr. Ng Chang Lok,
Mr. Haven.

Chief Manager, Mr. Kan Tong Po.
Asst. Manager, Mr. Li Tse Fong.

BRANCHES & AGENCIES:—

LONDON	NEW YORK
PARIS	SAN FRANCISCO
SHANGHAI	YOKOHAMA
KOBE	SAIGON
NAGASAKI	PENANG
SINGAPORE	HANKOW
TIENTSIN	BATAVIA
MANILA	SOURABAYA
RAMSARANG	BOMBAY
CALCUTTA	CANTON

London Bankers:—The London Joint City and Midland Bank, Ltd.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Loans granted on approved securities.

Interest allowed on Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2% per annum on Savings Account, 4% per cent. per annum, and on Fixed Deposits at the following rates:—
For 3 months at the rate of 3% per annum
For 6 months at the rate of 4% per annum
For 12 months at the rate of 5% per annum.

KAN TONG PO, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, March 8th 1923.

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL MAATSCHAPPIJ.

(NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY.)

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Authorised Capital F. 100,000,000 £8,333,333
Paid-Up Capital ... F. 80,000,000 £6,666,666
Reserve Fund .... F. 12,760,150 £1,647,432
Special Reserve ... F. 22,660,000 £1,888,333

HEAD OFFICE:—Amsterdam.
Branches at The Hague, Rotterdam.
HEAD AGENCY:—Batavia.
BRANCHES:—

Bandjermasin	Macassar	Shanghai
Bandoeng	Medan	Singapore
Bombay	Padang	Soerabaia
Calcutta	Palembang	Soerakarta
Cheribon	Pekalongan	(Solo)
Djember	Penang	Tegal
Djokjakarta	Pontianak	Tjilatjap
Kobe	Rangoon	Weltevreden
Kota Radja	Samarang	

Correspondents at Colombo, Madras, Pondicherry, Bangkok, Saigon, Haiphong, Hanoi, Amoy, Yokohama, Melbourne, Sydney, New York, San Francisco, &c., &c.

London Bankers:—The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Limited.

The Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, issues letters of credit on its Branches and correspondents in the East, on the Continent, in Great Britain, America and Australia, and transacts banking business of every description.

W. H. GROSKAMP, Agent.
Hongkong, August 14, 1923.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LTD., (Taiwan Ginko.)

Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed ....Yen 60,000,000
Capital (Paid-up) .....Yen 52,500,000
Reserve Fund .....Yen 12,980,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES:
JAPAN—Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Moji.
FORMOSA—Giran, Kagi, Karenko, Keelung, Makung, Nanto, Pinan, Shinchiku, Taichu, Tainan, Tokow, Tamsui, Tonyan, Aka.
CHINA—Shanghai, Hankow, Hiukiang, Amoy, Foochow, Swatow, Canton.
OTHERS—Bangkok, Hongkong, Singapore, Soerabaya, Samarang, Batavia, Bombay, London, New York.

LONDON BANKERS:
London County Westminster and Parr's Bank.

The Bank has Correspondents in the Commercial Centres in the European Continent, Russia, Manchuria, Tsingtao, Japan, Indo-China, Siam, India, Philippine Islands, Java, and Dutch Indies, Australia, America, Africa, &c.

Interest allowed on Current Account, and Fixed Deposits at rates which will be quoted on application.

S. KONDOH, Manager.

HONGKONG BRANCH,
3, Des Voeux Road Central.
Hongkong, September 15, 1923.

THE BANK OF CHINA.

中國銀行

(Specially Authorised by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China on the 22nd of November, 1917).

Authorised Capital $60,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital $18,278,500.00
Reserve Fund .....$ 9,639,435.24

HEAD OFFICE: PEKING.

HONGKONG BRANCH:
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Branches and Sub-branches all over China and Correspondents in Europe, America and other parts of the world.

[illegible]

New York Bankers:—The Irving National Bank.
The Equitable Trust Company of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application.

Every description of Banking Business transacted.

Loans granted on approved securities.

Special facilities for Home Exchange.

TSUYUE PEI, Manager.

THE NATIONAL COMMERCIAL & SAVINGS BANK, LTD.

16, Des Voeux Road Central.

(中華國民商業儲蓄銀行)

Authorised Capital $5,000,000.00
Managing Director—Y. Ma, Esq.
Chief Manager—Woon Kwok Shiang, Esq.
Manager—Yuen Yew, Esq.

General Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Loans granted on approved securities.

Current Savings and Fixed Deposits bear interest at rates of 4%, 5% and 6% per annum respectively.

Y. Y. MA, Managing Director.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.

HEAD OFFICE LONDON.

Paid-up Capital £3,000,000
Reserve Fund £3,300,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors £3,000,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON, Manager.
Hongkong, May 8, 1923.

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

HEAD OFFICE:
96, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Subscribed Capital .....Frs. 72,000,000.00
Paid Up Capital .....Frs. 68,400,000.00
Reserve Fund .....Frs. 59,667,283.84

BRANCHES:

Bangkok	Hongkong	Saigon
Battambang	Mongtse	Shanghai
Caibou	Noumea	Singapore
Djibouti	Papeete	Tientsin
Haiphong	Peking	Tourane
Hankow	Pnom-Penh	Yunnanfu
Hanoi	Pondicherry	

BANKERS:
IN FRANCE: Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Credit Lyonnais, Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas; Credit Industriel et Commercial Société Générale.
IN LONDON: The National Provincial & Union, Bank of England, Ltd., Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Credit Lyonnais.
IN NEW YORK: J. P. Morgan & Co., French American Banking Corporation; Guaranty Trust Co. of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.

Every description of banking and exchange business transacted.

C. E. GOY, Manager.
Hongkong, October 1, 1923.

BANK OF CANTON LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE HONGKONG.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS.
2% per annum on the daily credit balances of over $100.00.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS.
For 3 Months 3% per annum.
For 6 Months 4% per annum.
For 12 Months 5% per annum.
On demand ... 2% per annum.

LOOK POONG SHAN, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, May 24, 1921.

THE CHINESE MERCHANTS BANK, LTD.

HEAD OFFICE:
Alexandra Buildings, Chater Road.

General Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Loans granted on approved securities.

Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received at rates which may be ascertained on application.

The Bank also conducts a Savings Department.

K. C. LAU, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, August 17, 1920.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LTD.

ESTABLISHED 1880

CAPITAL (fully paid up) ....Yen 100,000,000
RESERVE FUND ....Yen 73,000,000

HEAD OFFICE:—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES AT:

Batavia	Newchwang
Bombay	New York
Buenos Ayres	Osaka
Calcutta	Peking
Changchun	Rangoon
Dairen (Dalny)	Rio de Janeiro
Fengtien (Mukden)	Saigon
Hamburg	San Francisco
Hankow	Seattle
Harbin	Shanghai
Honolulu	Shimonoseki
Kai Yuen	Singapore
Kobe	Soerabaya
London	Sydney
Los Angeles	Tientsin
Lyons	Tokyo
Manila	Tsinanfu
Mukden	Vancouver

Interest allowed on Current Accounts; Fixed deposits for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

T. NISHIYAMA, Manager.
Hongkong, September 17, 1923.

NOTICE.

HIGH-CLASS PRINTING AND BOOK BINDING DONE AT THE CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

BOOKS & PAMPHLETS A SPECIALTY

Prospectuses, Trade Circulars, Programmes, Menus, &c., &c., Artistically Arranged and Carefully Printed.

Clean Proofs and prompt delivery.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Banks

The Bank of Canton, Ltd.,
Des Voeux Road Central.

China Specie Bank, Ltd.
6, Duddell Street.

Building Contractors

Wing On & Co.
Building Contractors.
14, D'Aguilar Street. Tel. Cen. 1697

Coal Merchants

Kailan Mining Admin. (c/o Dodwell & Co., Ltd.), Colliery & Steamship Owners. Bituminous Coal, Coke, Firebricks.

Kwong Hang & Co., Coal Merchants 63 Des Voeux Rd. Cen. Tel. Cen. 2736

Katsud & Co., 5 Queen's Road Central, Merchants, Coal Contractors and Shipping Agents—Phone Cen. 1543.

Cotton Yarn Importers

Yasuo Kabushiki Kaisha
Importers Cotton Yarn & Piece Goods; No. 7 Mercantile Bank Building. Tel. Cen. 2774 and 2808

Curio Dealers

Sock Hing, Chinese Curios & Silver Ware

Dentist

Harry Fong, Dentist, 4st floor, No. 74, Queen's Road Central, Tel. Central No. 1355.

Engineers & Shipbuilders

W. S. Bailey & Co., Ltd
Engineer & Shipbuilder
Kowloon Bay
New Work & Repairs
Call Flag "L."

Fertilizer

Eastern Agricultural Fertilizer Co., 95 Jervois St. Tel. C2260 Sole agents for Guano-King of Fertilizers

Glass Merchants

A. Lang & Co., Glass Merchants, Furniture, Mirror and Canton Marble Manufacturer, Electro-plated, Glass and Crockery Wares and Photo Supplies. 19, Queen's Road Central. Tel. Central No. 1219.

Hotels

Palace Hotel, Kowloon—Corner of Haiphong and Hankow Roads. Few minutes from ferry.

Importers & Exporters

The Bros. & Co., Importers and Exporters and Commission Agents. Des Voeux Road.

Kwong Sun & Co., 56 Queen's Road Central. Ko Chi Chung (Manager), Kwong King Him (Asst.) Tel. Cen. 3188.

Kusuda Trading Co.,
Importers and Exporters,
NAKO—Japanese fine art curios,
23 Queen's Road Ctl. Tel. Cen. 1359

Lam King Loong,
97-8-99 Queen's Road Central,
General Storekeepers, Wine & Cigar Merchants, General Importers, Exporters of Chinese Produce
Tel. Central 351.

Land & Estate Agents

Pun Yick Cho, Land & Estate agents
Tel. Central 911-1937.
35, Queen's Road Central.

Leather Goods

Nam Kang Suitcase Co.,
Best makers of Leather Suitcases, Hand Bags, Purses, Belts, etc.
Pottinger St., 208 Queen's Rd. Ct. and 28 Hillier St.

Po Hing, 234 Des Voeux Road. Manufacturers of Leather Suitcases, Hand Bags Trunks etc.

Merchants

Asia Commercial & Development Co—China Bank Buildings (3rd floor) Tel. 2609

Millinery

Madame Lily.—Alexandra Building. Latest models and creations from Paris in Frocks and Millinery. "The Centre of Fashion."

Miners

China Commercial Co., Ltd.
Miners, Importers and Exporters
14-56 Queen's Road Ct. Tel. Cen. 2802.

Modistes

Madame Flinc,
31, Queen's Road Cen. Tel. Cen. 869.
(latest Parisian models)

Opticians

The Hongkong Optical Co. Phone 1222.
53, Queen's Road Central

Printers

The China Mail, General Printers, Publishers and Bookbinders.
5, Wyndham Street. Tel. C. 22.

Photographers

Moo Tseung, Photographer.
23, Ice House Street.
Beaconsfield Arcade (Branch).
Developing & Printing undertaken.

Po Kwong Photo Studio
122, Wellington Street,
Photo Supplies and Developing.
Art picture dealer.

Rubber & Wood,

Tankahkee & Co., 39 Connaught Rd. W. Manufacturers of Rubber Soles and Singapore Wood. Tel: Central 4473.

Ship Chandlers

Chung Fook, 78 Connaught Rd. Ctl First floor. Tel. Central 639. Shipchandlar, Stevedores and Compradore.

E. Hing & Co.,
25 Wing Woo Street. Tel Central 1116
Metal Merchants & Ship Chandlers,
Managing Director— Mr. H. S. Chin.

Sun Cheong Compradors,
General Provision Store.
Naval and Military Contractor.
No. 66, Praya East Wanchai.
Telephone No. 3761.

Wang Kee & Co., Shipchandlers, Compradores, Stevedores & Coal Merchants, Basset & Pilot supply No. 36 & 37, Connaught Road, Tel Central No. 946.

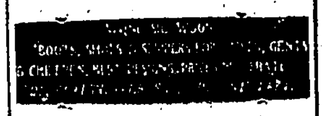
Shipowners

Man Wing S. S. Co., Ltd.,
38 Bonham Strand West. Tel. Cen. 1710
Regular Fortnightly Service
Hongkong and Haiphong via Hothow
s.s. "Haitan."

Thai Thuan S. S. Co., Ltd.,
147 Wing Lok Street, East. Tel. Cen. 93
s.s. "Derwent" s.s. "Bourbon"
between Hongkong and Saigon.

Shoemakers

Jam Kee, Dealer in Sewing Machines and Accessories, Boot & Shoe Maker.
7 Pottinger Street.



Silk Stores.

D. Chellaram.—Royal Silk Store. 38a Queen's Road Central, Satin Crepe de Chine, Georgette and Brocade Silks.

Pohoomull Bros., 38, Queen's Rd. C.

Tailors

Hongkong Tailoring Co.
Ladies' and Gent's Tailors,
10, D'Aguilar Street. New Materials of all descriptions. Tel. Centl. 2380.

Ah Young, Tailors Drapers & Outfitters, Hat & Clothing, Suits made to order. No. 74, Queen's Road Central. Tel. Central No. 2830.

Sing Cheong,
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Tailor.
24, Wyndham Street, 2nd floor.

Tobaccos, Cigarettes.

British American Tobacco Co. (China), Ltd. 15-19 Connaught Road.

Wine & Spirit Merchants

Kwan Tye, General Storekeeper Wine & Spirit Merchant.
No. 102, Queen's Road Centr

NATIONAL OPTICAL COMPANY, Ltd.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

Shunko Maru, (O.S.K.) from Fusan.—Laf-chi-kok.

Hanoi, (M. M. Cie) from Fort Bayard.—C38.

Andre Lebon, (M. M. Cie) from Saigon.—A1.

Kiangsu, (B. & S.) from Swatow. —B11.

Tingsang, (J. M. & Co.) from Swatow.—C33.

Ben Macdhui, (Gibb Liv.) from Singapore.—Wanchai.

Lien Chow, (Sing Kee) from Pakhoi.—C40.

Kaying, (B. & S.) for Amoy.—December 21.

DEPARTURES.

Wingsang, (J. M. & Co.) for Swatow.—December 21.

Lake Gilpen, (P. M. S. S.) for Singapore.—December 21.

Yahiko Maru, (Y.K.K.) for Tai Lay.—December 21.

Van Overstraten, (J.C.J.L.) for Singapore.—December 21.

Solviden, (Larssen & Co.) for Saigon.—December 21.

Emp. of Australia, (C.P.S. Ltd.) for Shanghai.—December 21.

Haihong, (Douglas & Co.) for Swatow.—December 21.

Andre Lebon, (M. M. Cie) for Shanghai.—December 21.

Fukuse Maru, (M.B.K.) for Tamsui.—

"Do You Dread the Night?

Coughs and colds always seem to grow worse at night-fall and croup comes without warning, at midnight. Avoid an uneasy, feverish, sleepless night by keeping in the house a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is soothing, healing and contains no narcotics. For sale everywhere.

THE BLUE FUNNEL LINE

REGULAR AND FAST FREIGHT AND PASSENGER SERVICES.

LONDON SERVICE
(Direct)

"AUTOLYCUS"	24th Dec.	London, Rotterdam and Hamburg
"DARDANUS"	31st Dec.	London Rotterdam and Hamburg
"PATROCLUS"	8th Jan.	Marseilles, London and Rotterdam
"MENELAUS"	11th Jan.	London, Rotterdam and Hamburg

LIVERPOOL SERVICE
(Direct or via Continental Ports)

"DIOMED"	10th Jan.	M'lles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow
"TITAN"	20th Jan.	Genoa, M'lles, Liverpool & Glasgow
"CYCLOPS"	1st Feb.	M'lles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow

PACIFIC SERVICE
(via Kobe and Yokohama)

"PHILOCTETES"	4th Jan.	Victoria, Seattle and Vancouver.
"TYNDAREUS"	28th Jan.	

NEW YORK SERVICE
(via Suez or Panama)

"CALCHAS"	23rd Dec.	via Suez and Boston.
"PELEUS"	15th Jan.	via Suez and Boston.

PASSENGER SERVICE

"MENTOR"	7th Jan.	for Shanghai
"PATROCLUS"	8th Jan.	for Singapore, Marseilles & London
"MENTOR"	4th Feb.	for Singapore & London
"TERESIAS"	15th Mar.	for Singapore & London
"SARPEDON"	22nd Apr.	Singapore, Marseilles & London

For Freight and Passage Rates and all information Apply to:—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
(John Swire & Sons Ltd.)
AGENTS.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The public are reminded that all articles sent through the post which are closed against inspection are liable to letter rates of postage.

Xmas and New Year cards posted in closed covers with the corners cut and prepaid at the rate for printed matter will be taxed at letter rates.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

On TUESDAY, the 25th inst. and WEDNESDAY, the 26th instant, the G.P.O. and the Branch Post Offices will be open as follows:—

The G.P.O. and Kowloon Branch:—8 a.m. to 9 a.m. only.

Sheungwan Branch:—8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and from 5.30 to 8 p.m.

Wantsai Branch, Saiyingpun ,, Yaumati ,, Shamshuipo ,, } from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and from 5 to 6 p.m.

There will be one collection of letters from the pillar boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence each as on SUNDAYS, and also one delivery of registered correspondence at at 9 a.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 26th inst.

There will be one delivery from the Branch Post Offices each day at noon.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the Holidays.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23.

LONDON Letters via Brindisi 20th Nov. ..... Laomedon

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25.

EUROPE via Negapatam (Letters and Papers London 22nd Nov.) ..... Namsang

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29.

U.S.A. Canada, Japan and Shanghai ..... President Grant

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Times

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21.

Wuchow and Samshui	Kong Ning	4 p.m.
Shanghai	Sinkiang	5 p.m.
Japan	Kut	5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Soshu Maru	5 p.m.
Bangkok	Childar	5 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22.

Hoihow, Pakhoi and *Haiphong	Phranang	8 a.m.
Manila, AUSTRALIA & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island. 2nd Jan. 1924. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	Tango Maru	
Haiphong	Song Ho	10.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Hinsang	Noon.
Cebu	Philoctetes	5 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23.

*Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Amakusa Maru	9 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	9 a.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24.

Japan	Mishima Maru	10 a.m.
Saigon, *Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via MARSEILLES,—due Marseilles 24th Jan. 1924. Registration 12.45 p.m. Letters 1.30 p.m.		
Straits and Egypt	Chamberd	
Shanghai	Antolycus	2.30 p.m.
Amoy	Tingsang	5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America & *EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria B.C., 19th Jan. 1924. Parcels Saturday 22nd 5 p.m. Registration 24th Monday 8 a.m. Letters 8.30 a.m.	Szechuen	5 p.m.
	President Jefferson	

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25.

Swatow and Bangkok	Kwaisang	8.30 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok	Kiangsu	9 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26.

Swatow and Amoy	Rhagusa	8.30 a.m.
Manila	Taming	9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haifoong	Noon.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27.

Haiphong	Yuenan	8.30 a.m.
Hoihow	Chinshus	8.30 a.m.
Hoihow and Haiphong	Chipshing	8.30 a.m.
Japan	Namsang	10.30 a.m.
Amoy	Tjibodas	3.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Noon.
Straits, *Bangkok Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Bombay, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via MARSEILLES,—due Marseilles 26th Jan. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 1930 10.30 a.m.	Laisang-Hind	

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29.

Swatow and Amoy	Van Oisen	10.30 a.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30.

Manila	Pres. Grant	9 a.m.

Correspondence bearing various names only.

WEATHER REPORT.

December 21d 11h 10m.—Pressure has decreased considerably at Wladivostock and slightly at the majority of other reporting stations.

Moderate monsoon may be expected over the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0·00 inch. Total since January 1st, 106.51 inches, against an average of 83.74 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on December 22, 1923.

1.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, moderate; fine.

2.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks. N.E. winds, moderate; fine.

3.—Hongkong to Gap Rock. N.E. winds, moderate; fine.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. N.E. winds, moderate; fine.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY, HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

DECEMBER 21, 1923.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather.
Wl'divostock	6 a.	29.86	32	—	ne	4	c
Vemuro	5 a.	—	—	—	...	...	—
Hakodate	"	—	—	—	...	...	—
Tokio	"	—	—	—	...	...	—
Kochi	"	—	—	—	...	...	—
Nagasaki	"	—	—	—	...	...	—
Kagoshima	"	—	—	—	...	...	—
Dehima	"	—	—	—	...	...	—
Naha	"	—	—	—	...	...	—
Sabijima	"	—	—	—	...	...	—
Formosa Island	"	—	—	—	...	...	—
Chefoo	6 a.	30.09	26	70	wsw	1	b
Hankow	"	—	—	—	...	...	...
Ichang	"	...	—	—	...	...	...
Changsha	"	—	—	—	...	...	...
Shanghai	"	30.12	43	84	wsw	1	b
Tutalaf	"	30.10	48	100	nnw	2	b
Sharp Pk.	7 a.	30.04	58	81	w	1	b
Amoy	9 a.	29.99	58	90	w	1	b
Swatow	8	...	...	...	...	...	...
Taihoku	5	30.00	57	98	—	0	b
Tsichu	"	29.99	57	—	—	0	b
Tainan	"	29.93	63	—	w	4	b
Koshuo	"	29.92	70	—	w	4	b
Pescadores	"	29.97	64	—	nne	4	b
Canton	6	—	...	—	...	3	o
Hongkong	"	29.98	67	84	w	3	o
Gap Rock	"	30.00	—	—	nne	4	b
Macao	"	29.93	63	84	n	2	cf
Wuchow	9 a.	—	...	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	"	...	...	—	...	...	—
Hothow	"	...	...	—	...	...	—
Phullien	7 a.	—	—	—	...	...	—
Fourane	"	—	—	—	...	...	—
C. St. James	"	...	...	—	...	...	—
Aparri	6 a	29.87	78	—	w	2	r
Surigao	"	29.85	70	96	—	0	b
Manila	"	29.79	73	94	nw	1	b
Legaspi	"	29.75	77	85	w	2	b
Tacloban	"	...	—	—	...	...	—
Iloilo	"	29.73	75	93	nnw	4	b
Surigao	"	29.71	79	87	nnw	2	c
Guam	4.30	29.78	...	...	nne	4	c
Yap	4.47	29.75	—	—	...	...	—
Labuan	6 a	29.74	76	94	sw	2	r

Hongkong Observatory, Dec. 21, 1923.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.
2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade in degrees Fahrenheit.
3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.
5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.
6. STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squall, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew, wet.
7. RAIN in inches tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day at 9 p.m.	On date at 4 a.m.	On date 7 p.m.
Barometer	29.98	29.98	29.92
Temperature	71	67	72
Humidity	70	64	45
Direction of Wind	E	E	E
Force	2	3	4
Weather	b	b	b
Rain	0.06	0.00	0.09

Highest open air Temperature on the 20th—72
Lowest open air Temperature on the 21st—63

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong, Observatory, Dec. 21, 1923.

HONGKONG TIME SIGNALS.

The Time Ball on Kowloon Signal Hill is dropped daily at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., except on Saturdays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., and on Sundays and Holidays when it is dropped at a.m.

The Ball is hoisted half mast at 55th minute and full mast at the 57th minute. Should the ball fail to drop at the correct time it will be lowered at 1 minutes past the hour and the ordinary routine repeated at the following hour, if possible.

Should the Time Ball be out of order the above routine will be carried out with the flag "Z," on the Storm Signal mast.

Time Signals are also given at night by means of three white lamps mounted vertically on the Observatory wireless mast.

From 6.58 to 7.00 p.m. the lamps are extinguished momentarily at the even seconds, except at the first, 30th, 50th 52nd, and 54th of each minute.

The hours refer to Hongkong Standard time, a figure East of Greenwich.

Mack Sennett presents His 6 Reel Comedy-Drama

"A SMALL TOWN IDOL"

TO-DAY till SUNDAY at 2.30, 5.15, 7.15 and 9.15

TO-DAY till SUNDAY at 2.30, 5.15, 7.15 and 9.15

THE CORONET
THERE IS ALWAYS A GOOD SHOW AT

THE STAR
TO-NIGHT at 5.30 and 9.15
ANITA STEWART
— in —
THE YELLOW TYPHOON

THE GRAND
TO-NIGHT at 9.15 p.m.
HERBERT RAWLINSON
— in —
FOOLS AND RICHES

WORLD THEATRE
PHONE: 1587 PHONE: 1587
Hongkong's Most Modern and Coolest Picture Palace.
Thursday to Saturday, 20th to 22nd December.
at 5.15 p.m. and 9.15 p.m.
"MOON MADNESS"
WITH A NOTABLE ALL-STAR CAST.
Edith Storey, William Courtleigh, Josef Swickard, Wallace McDonald, Irene Hunt and Sam De Grasse.
A ROBERTSON-COLE SPECIAL.
Usual Prices. Booking at the Theatre.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

FROM NORTH CHINA.
Jan. 4.—J.C.J.L. Tjikarang.

FROM BANGKOK.
Jan 4.—E. A. Banka
6.—E. A. Bintang.

FROM JAVA.
Dec. 22.—J.C.J.L. Tjibodas.
29.—J.C.J.L. Tjikini.

FROM SINGAPORE.
Dec. 27.—U.S.S.B. West Yamalon.

FROM MANILA.
Dec. 22.—A. O. L. Pres. Jefferson.
24.—U.S.S.B. West Chopaka.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE
Jan. 7.—E. & A. St. Albans.
Feb. 1.—E. & A. Eastern.
Mar. 7.—E. & A. Arafura.
Apr. 4.—E. & A. St. Albans.
May 2.—E. & A. St. Albans.

FROM VANCOUVER.
Jan. 10.—B. F. Tyndareus.
20.—B. F. Protesilaus.
Feb. 27.—B. F. Achilles.
Mar. 19.—B. F. Philoctetes.
Apr. 9.—B. F. Tyndareus.
30.—B. F. Protesilaus.

FROM SEATTLE.
Dec. 22.—A. O. L. City of Spokane.
Jan. 10.—B. F. Tyndareus.
30.—B. F. Protesilaus.
Feb. 27.—B. F. Achilles.
Mar. 19.—B. F. Philoctetes.
Apr. 9.—B. F. Tyndareus.
30.—B. F. Protesilaus.

FROM LOS ANGELES AND SAN FRANCISCO.
Jan. 1.—U.S.S.B. West Prospect.

FROM NEW YORK.
Dec. 22.—B. F. Calchas.
Jan. 15.—A.O.L. Elkton.

FROM PORTLAND.
Jan. 17.—U.S.S.B. Hannawa.
24.—U.S.S.B. Montague.

FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.
Dec. 26.—H.A.L. Rheinland.
Jan. 20.—H.A.L. Vbetland.
15.—J.C.J.L. Saparoea.

FROM LONDON.
Dec. 27.—G. L. Glenaffar.
27.—B. F. Lycaon.
28.—P. & O. Kashgar.
Jan. 11.—P. & O. Morea.
14.—G. L. Glenbeg.
19.—P. & O. Sicilia.
25.—P. & O. Karmala.
28.—G. L. Glenaida.
31.—P. & O. Soudan.
Feb. 7.—G. L. Pembrokeshire.
8.—P. & O. Naldera.
22.—P. & O. Khyber.
Mar. 7.—P. & O. China.
12.—P. & O. Sicilia.
21.—P. & O. Malwa.
Apr. 3.—P. & O. Kashmir.
8.—P. & O. Soudan.
17.—P. & O. Khiva.
May 1.—P. & O. Delta.

FROM LIVERPOOL.
Dec. 23.—B. F. Laomedon.
25.—B. F. Hyson.
27.—B. F. Lycaon.
Jan. 6.—B. F. Mentor.
13.—B. F. Ixion.
17.—B. F. Agapenor.
25.—B. F. Phemius.
Feb. 1.—B. F. Prometheus.
4.—B. F. Deucalion.
15.—B. F. Teiresias.
18.—B. F. Atreus.
20.—B. F. Adrastus.

FROM HAMBURG.
Dec. 15.—R. R. Emil Kirdorf.
31.—R. A. L. Rheinland.

FROM CONTINENTAL PORTS.
Jan. 5.—N. A. Transvaal.
20.—K. A. Kina.
23.—K. A. Tale.
Feb. 4.—E. A. Asia.
10.—E. A. Java.
Mar. 6.—E. A. Chile.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

Cargo arrived by s.s. "Ben Macdhui" remaining undelivered after December 27 will be subject to rent & charges.—Gibb, Livingston & Co., Ltd.

Printed and Published for the Newspaper Enterprise Limited by GEORGE WILLIAM CAPEL STRUTT, Managing Editor, 1 Wyndham Street, Hongkong.